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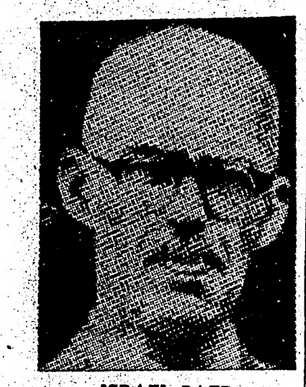

ISRAEL BAER
Who?

NOT THE BAER I KNEW!

By YOHANAN LAHAV
Of the Daily Yediot Ahronot, Israel

Special to the Canadian Jewish News

JERUSALEM — I knew Dr. Israel Baer for years and still cannot believe he has been arrested for treason and espionage. And likewise, Prime Minister David Ben Gurion refused to believe Baer's guilt.

Obviously I was wrong although many others, more important than an Israeli war correspondent, were also wrong.

YADIN'S RIGHT-HAND

We all thought we knew Baer but we did not. The Baer I knew was a brilliant officer who had come here with a doctorate and combat experience from Vienna and Spain where he allegedly fought the Nazis.

The Baer I knew was an underground officer who rose

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Friend Of B-G A Spy?

Special to the Canadian Jewish News

JERUSALEM — The arrest of Israel Baer, Prime Minister Ben Gurion's close adviser on military matters and historian of the Israeli Defence Ministry, on the charge of spying for a foreign power may result in the complete reorganization of the Ministry of Defence.

Baer, who was arrested on the eve of Passover following a tip by a foreign intelligence service, posed as a Mapai member but was a Communist who came here from Spain in 1938 allegedly on false papers taken from a Jew named Israel Baer.

The theory is that Baer is a Communist agent who was planted here, that he is not Jewish but posed as a Jew and became the leading expert of Israel in military affairs.

DEEPLY DISTURBED

It is reported Ben Gurion is deeply disturbed by his disillusionment in a man who had been his most trusted adviser. Baer was once Israel's observer at a NATO meeting and reportedly in a position to divulge high-level secrets to Communist countries.

Israel's press in highly critical of the country's secret Service. Haaretz, the most influential daily, editorially criticizes the handling of security. It asks why the Secret Service plants microphones in the homes of political opponents of the ruling Mapai party and not in the homes of persons working for defense and known to have a Communist

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32 FIRMS GET AWARDS

New Crop of 'Millionaires' As Israel Boosts Exports

JERUSALEM (ZINS) — Israel has recently acquired a new sort of millionaires — 32 of them — reports the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

The "millionaires" are those firms which managed to export from Israel during the past year goods valued at a million or more dollars.

The firms exported goods in a total value of $124,000,000, which is more than half of the total Israel export of $214,000,000 during 1960.

These exporters, together with another group of exporters who sent out goods valued at one hundred thousand dollars or more, have received special awards and the title of "licensed exporter". The awards were presented at a special ceremony in which Pinchas Saphir, Minister of Commerce and Industry, participated.

Dayan Recommended, Lavon Appointed Him

By M. J. NURENBERGER
Editor of the Canadian Jewish News

JERUSALEM — Pinhas Lavon told leading Israeli daily Maariv he had accepted Israel Baer into Government service in the Ministry of Defense only because of a recommendation by Moshe Dayan, then Chief of the General Staff.

M. J. NURENBERGER

Lavon, now expelled from the Mapai leadership because of his feud with Prime Minister Ben Gurion, was then Minister of Defense. He said Baer had not been informed of the Sinai campaign prior to the actual operations.

WAS B-G WARNED?

Menahem Begin, opposition Herut leader, said Tuesday he is convin ed morale of the Israel Army was unimpaired by the affaire Baer.

However, some newspapers are asking why Ben Gurion allegedly ignored several warnings that Baer was a security risk.

Baer was not in a position to transmit NATO secrets to Communist states despite the fact he had been a guest of the French, German and Swedish armies and had visited Lapland as "Ben Gurion's advisor".

ISRAELIS NOT DISTURBED

Tuesday's Cabinet meeting heard an explanation by Ben Gurion. There were also sharp inquiries at the meeting by ministers belonging to several small coalition parties.

People here are shocked but not disturbed by the Baer affair. Early this week they were preparing with enthusiasm for Israel's Anniversary 'Bar Mitzvah" parade with tanks and armor despite the U. N. Security Council warning last week.

One sensational development in the Baer affair was the report that Ben Gurion's personal diary had been found in Baer's apartment, as the latter prepared a biography of the Premier.

'J'Accuse' Is Cry Of Dead

By M. J. NURENBERGER
Editor of the Canadian Jewish News

JERUSALEM — "When I stand before you, judges of Israel sitting in judgment on Adolf Eichmann, I do not stand alone.

"Here with me at this moment stand six million prosecutors, but alas they cannot rise to level a finger of accusation at the accused and cry out 'J'Accuse' at the man who stands there (and here Hausner pointed his finger at Eichmann) because their ashes are scattered and their blood spilled."

So did Attorney-General Gideon Hausner begin his speech for the prosecution after Eichmann had pleaded to all fifteen counts of the indictment, "Not guilty in the sense of the indictment."

Such a plea is not known in Israel where the prisoner is called upon simply to answer guilty or not guilty, and in the protocols of the trial his answers will be entered "Not guilty".

The qualified plea he made is one apparently allowed in the German courts and means in effect "I may be involved but I am not guilty as described in the indictment".

Eichmann stood very straight and upright as Judge Landau asked the question fifteen times, once on each count, and the interpreter repeated the question each time in German. His hands hung loosely at his sides and he looked straight at the judges.

COURT COMPETENT

Landau pronounced the court's decision that it was competent to judge Eichmann. He countered defense counsel Servatius' argument that all three judges were suspect of prejudice because they were Jews and Is-

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118,000 Visited Israel

EL AVIV (ZINS) — 118,000 tourists visited Israel during 1960 and the revenue from tourism was about $30,000,000, besides income from other Israel enterprises such as El Al, ZIM and others, it was disclosed this week. Altogether total income from tourism last year was over $60,000,000.

ROBERT FROST at the HEBREW UNIVERSITY of JERUSALEM

American poet ROBERT FROST greatly enhanced Israel's appreciation of America's literature and democratic traditions while serving as the first Samuel Paley Lecturer in American Culture and Civilization at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. The famed 87-year old man of letters is shown (top inset) examining the Robert Frost Collection of first editions presented to the Hebrew University by Charles E. Feinberg of Detroit. Another high moment was his visit to the glass-encased Dead Sea Scrolls (upper right) with Bernard Cherrick, executive vice-chairman of the University's board of governors. Lively discussions with students marked Mr. Frost's visit, as shown (bottom) in his talk with Suha Deeb, first Arab girl to study law at the Hebrew University.

UJA 'GINGER' PUSH ROLLS TO VICTORY

In response to an urgent call from Campaign Chairman Max Tanenbaum and Over-the-Top Chairman Morry Wingold, a hard-driving group known as the "Ginger" Committee has been organized to lead the 1961 United Jewish Appeal to victory.

Under leadership of John D. Fienberg, in co-operation with Mr. Tanenbaum, Alvin B. Rosenberg, Q.C., and Morry Wingold, the "Ginger" Committee has combined with the Over-the-Top group to cover all outstanding prospects before the May 18 Closing Dinner.

MARK LEVY CITED

Three regular Tuesday morning breakfast meetings have taken place starting at 7.30 a.m., followed by intensive card coverage after 9 a.m. Mark A. Levy was named "Ginger" Man of the Week last Tuesday, having covered over 20 pledge cards in one week.

The organizing group of the "Ginger" Committee also included Stephen E. Berger, Meyer W. Gasner, J. Irving Oelbaum

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Like In A Surgical Theatre; 'Doctors' Dissect Social Ill

By MEYER LEVIN

COURTROOM, JERUSALEM — The hall seems most like a surgical theatre where a delicate neurological operation is being demonstrated. White brick walls, bare overhead lights in their metal reflectors. The subject of the operation is antiseptically sealed in a closed glass box, somehow suggesting an oxygen tent.

The hall is filled with a professional audience, too, for these are no mere spectators, but participating scholars, the assistants of the word press. Symbolically, all wear their "stethoscopes," the ear-pieces of the small transistor-translators that hang from their necks.

The three chief surgeons, in their gowns, exchange occasional learned whispers.

The attending assistants, a half dozen attorneys, also wear their robes, White gowns would have to replace the black, yet even the black gowns appear moral-medical, in this living postmortem.

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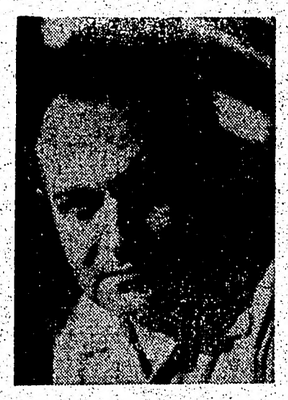

MEYER LEVIN
Epic post-mortem...

Commentary • By M. J. Nurenberger

JUSTICE OR VENGEANCE?

JERUSALEM—At the Synagogue on Saturday, Mark, the Torah reader, gazed at the Auschwitz number tattooed on his arm and said:

"This year I shall celebrate Independence Day with more enthusiasm than I have shown in any year before. You were not THERE, thus you cannot understand the significance of the Eichmann Trial.

"I say the Eichmann Trial, not the execution, is important. Execution will follow, for no court would not dare to hang at least one man who should be hanged six million times.

"We who came here from the concentration camps have dreamed of vengeance. But what is transpiring here is by far greater than that.

"Vengeance would be to kill Eichmann like a dog, leaving behind a note saying he was executed by one of his potential victims. Vengeance, of which we dreamed in the camps, was the hope of the weak, the helpless. It does not alter a situation. It merely relieves tension.

"Justice is the weapon of the strong. If the Jewish State had come into being for one purpose only—to try Hitler's minister of death and destruction before a court of law—it has already fulfilled its promise".

I wholeheartedly agree with this pious survivor.

Since I arrived here, I am surrounded by arguments against too much leniency toward this monster. The same disputes, I am sure, take place at home and the world over.

Why give Eichmann's lawyer so much freedom? Why treat Eichmann like a human being? Why lose so much time with legal arguments about a case that has a foregone conclusion? Why?

I feel that there is vengeance in the application of justice. Eichmann may have had nightmares of vengeance. But he never believed a Jewish State would rise that would be strong enough to mete out justice." Definitely—I reiterate—there is an element of vengeance in justice.

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When Eichmann, who considered Jews helpless subhumans, must bow to the MENORAH and the blue—white flag of renascent Israel, somewhere among the piles of human ashes left in Auschwitz and Maidanek bones are reviving—as in the prophecy of Ezekiel.

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Thus Eichmann dies many times each day.

He is not avenged by a hero. He is being tried by a powerful, free nation, led by the Lord of Hosts in God's own City of Justice.

The new nation of Israel, on its old soil, senses this historic grandeur. Israel is able to try him who wanted to destroy all of us. That's why the State was created. And that's why it shall live forever through Justice.

600 Athletes Due At 6th Maccabia

TEL AVIV (ZINS) — Problems in connection with the forthcoming 6th Maccabia, which will open in Raman-Gan on August 29 with the participation of 600 athletes from 34 countries, were discussed at a conference of chairmen of Maccabi groups from all parts of Israel.

The conference was opened by Shalom Zysman, chairman of Maccabi Executive in Israel, who said that the Maccabia has aroused great interest in the Jewish world which regards it as a Jewish Olympiade. At the Maccabia there will be contests in 18 departments of athletics.

June 30 Deadline Set By Claims Conference

NEW YORK, (JCNS) — Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany has set June 30, 1961, as the deadline date for filing applications by organizations, institutions and communities seeking allocations of funds for 1962.

Applications are to be submitted in 20 copies to the Conference at 3 East 54th street, New York City, and should contain detailed descriptions of the activities for which the funds are requested.

By the terms of its agreement with West Germany, the Claims Conference is able to allocate money only for those activities which contribute to the relief, rehabilitation and resettlement of Jewish victims of Nazi persecution, in accordance with the urgency of need.

Hausner Opens Up Entire History of Anti-Semitism in Germany

NO SOFT-PEDALLING OF THE GERMAN PAST

By HARRY GOLDEN

Special to the Canadian Jewish News

JERUSALEM — It was evident from the opening address of prosecutor Gideon Hausner that the entire history of anti-Semitism in Germany leading up to the massacre of six million Jews will be reviewed and backed with evidence.

This came as somewhat of a surprise because the delicate relations between West Germany and Israel, and the good relations between Adenauer and Ben Gurion, have led many to believe that the German past in this case would be soft-pedalled.

I asked a court official and his answer was: The trial of Adolf Eichmann cannot be conducted in a vacuum.

Prosecutor Hausner spoke for seven hours, taking up both sessions of Monday's court. Before the opening, Judge Landau presented the decision in reply to the defense counsel's challenge of the right of Israel to try Eichmann, and also the right to try the accused in face of the unusual manner of his capture.

The judge stated that all civilized nations have accepted the principle that an accused must stand trial in a jurisdiction regardless of the manner of his apprehension.

TRAINING IS PARAMOUNT

Judge Landau addressed himself at length to the defense challenge of the court's possible prejudice in view of the possibility the court might have been personally affected by the Nazi massacre of the Jews in Europe. The judge stated that judges have been trained to make judgments on evidence before them and to weigh the matters that are brought before the court.

Judge Landau agreed that judges are men of flesh and blood with human emotions, but their training and their oath are paramount, and if this were not so, no judge anywhere would be competent to try a defendant charged with murder or treason.

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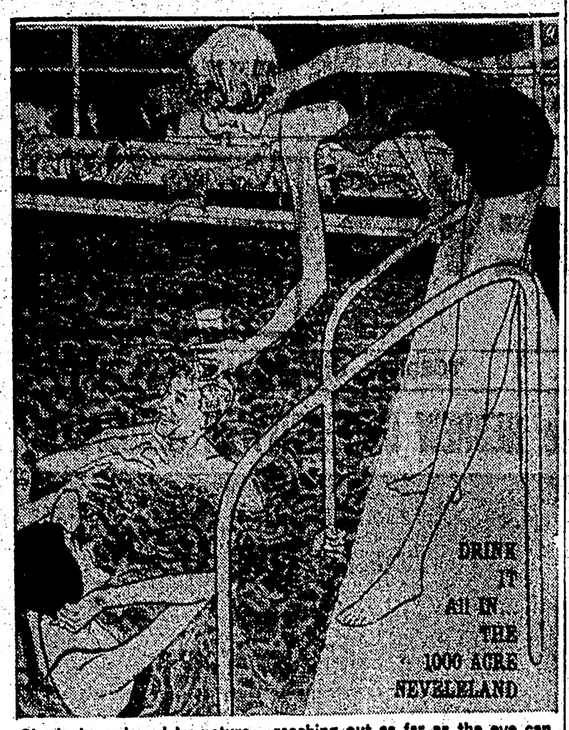
A PERSONAL WORD

And now a personal word to my friends and readers in Toronto through the kind offices of Canadian Jewish News editor M. J. Nurenberger:

I leave for Korea this Thursday (April 19). This was a date arranged with the United States Eighth Army a long time ago to speak to the soldiers during National Library Week and before I knew of any Eichmann trial, and so I will keep the date.

But I will be back when the prosecution's important witness Joel Brand takes the stand and when Eichmann begins his defense. I do not know when this will be, but I have a definite commitment to be in Jerusalem when this happens.

So until then, may our children know a better era and a happier generation.



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BAER

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past. The opposition Herut party has demanded an extraordinary session of the Knesset to deal with security which is threatened by the Baer affair.

DEMAND 'HOUSE-CLEANING'

The daily Yediot Ahronot demands strong action against Communists and their fellow-travellers "lest we are ready to commit suicide".

The Mizrachi paper Hatsofeh demands a "housecleaning" and end to what it terms the "priority of party interests". Maariv demands that Ben Gurion explain to the nation how the Baer affair was possible.

The country is shocked by the revelations. The prestige of Mapai has been weakened, Baer having been a member of that party.

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from the ranks to become operations planning officer during the War of Liberation. The Baer I knew was Chief of Staff Yigal Yadin's right-hand, the man who planned many of the war's victorious battles. He was also the Army's historian and a lecturer on military history at Tel Aviv University.

WINE AND WOMEN, TOO

He knew more than a regular lieutenant-colonel of the Israeli Army even when out of uniform. He, together with today's deputy defence minister, briefed the press on the third day of the Sinai campaign.

The Baer I knew also liked his wine and women.

Now we discover he was a spy and had been, according to his own confession, since 1957. Discovering that we wonder, was he not a spy earlier. Did we know the real Israel Baer? Was he really a veteran of the Spanish war? Was he Jewish at all, as we had thought in spite of his not being circumcized?

Or was Baer, who had previously belonged officially to an extreme leftist party, a Communist agent in disguise since his arrival in 1938?

Only the future can tell us of the real Baer we all thought we knew but did not.

ADATH ISRAEL — Standing left to right: Jim Keshen, Herman Airst, E. Sugar — Sitting left to right: Phil Granofsky, Harold Lipton, Dr. B. Collins.

FARBAND CABINET — Left to right: Sam Pearl, Louis Gotkind, Michael Barzilay - guest, Saul Parnes, Joseph Fein, Harry Weinstock. Absent: Leo Hertzberg, Leo Moss, Meyer Pollock, Gerald Prenick, Sidney Bendahan.

METRO UJA POISED FOR VICTORY DRIVE

So far this year approximately 650 enthusiastic campaigners have put their energies to work for Metropolitan Division of Toronto's United Jewish Appeal campaign.

Space does not permit listing here the name of every man in Metro Division deserving special mention. There are a variety of ways in which canvassers excel — some in persuading old givers to increase their pledges, some in covering a large quantity of cards and yet others in bringing in first-time contributions.

The men listed on this page by virtue of their having brought in seven or more donations. Many of them have taken four full kits, and some as many as nine. A Metro kit is usually comprised of ten cards, six having no previous record of giving.

BIG METRO BLITZ

This Sunday, April 23, is most important date for all Metro campaigners to remember. This is the day set for Metro's gigantic city-wide clean-up blitz, starting off with a 10.30 a.m. breakfast at Adath Israel Oval Room.

The men of the Metropolitan Division are determined not to falter in their efforts to make this year's campaign the most successful ever, thus implementing the work of the UJA in meeting both local and overseas Jewish needs.

Metropolitan Division leaders have extended a welcome to members of the Beth Emeth Brotherhood to this year's campaign. They are participating for the first time ever, under the leadership of Murray Rumack, their official representative. Beth Emeth are now busily working on the first batch of 250 cards and are confident of showing good results.

SHAAREI SHOMAYIM — Left to right: J. Siegel B. Ramstein, J. Lester

TEMPLE SINAI — Left to right: David Lerner, Steven Ostrower, Norman White, Lou Skulko, Saul Levine, Carlyle Krieger

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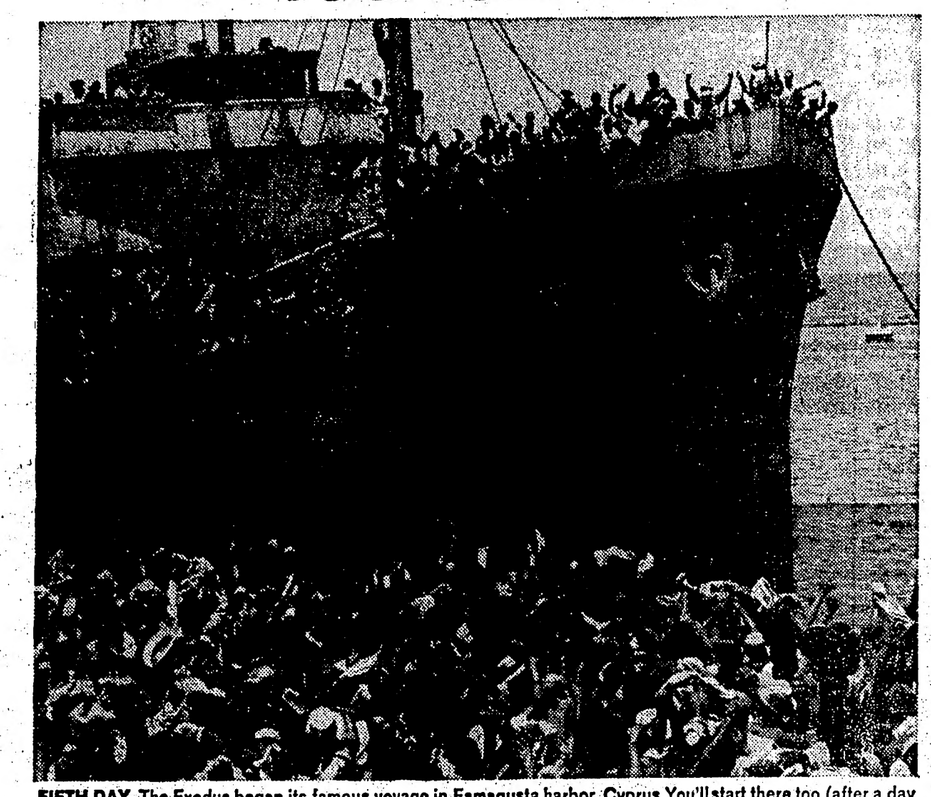
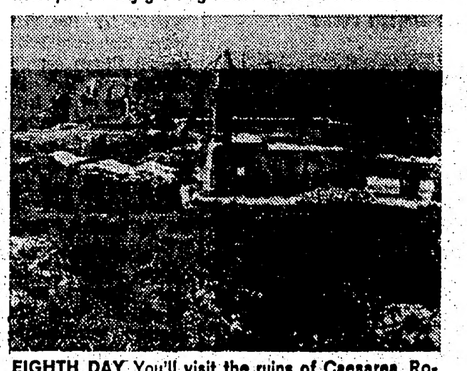
YOUR SIXTEEN-DAY EXODUS



FIFTH DAY The Exodus began its famous voyage in Famagusta harbor, Cyprus. You'll start there too (after a day of sight-seeing in Tel Aviv) and among the many places you'll visit will be the site of the Karaolos detention camps where 30,000 Jews once waited behind barbed wire for their country to come into existence. Shown here are the thousands of Jews and Cypriots who gathered to cheer the refugee ship during this scene from the film.

FIFTEENTH DAY The Negev, frontier in a land of frontiers. Tour ancient Beersheba, where Abraham brought the land of Israel into being, and modern Ashkelon, a new city growing out of the ruins of an old one.



EIGHTH DAY You'll visit the ruins of Caesarea, Roman capital of Palestine, shown here in a scene from the film. And you'll also see the fishing kibbutz of Sdot Yam, once the secret landing place of refugee ships.

EIGHTH DAY And a tour of Haifa, where the Exodus refugees landed 13 years ago. Many of the people who stood on the docks and watched the Preminger re-enactment had seen it all before, when it really happened.

NINTH DAY Acre, where the underground broke into the prison and liberated both Jew and Arab alike. And on the tenth day a drive to the Sea of Galilee, where the fishing boats were once used as pulpits by Jesus.

ELEVENTH DAY The Valley of Jezreel — beautiful again today, but once the scene of a bitter fight to break the siege of Jerusalem. Burned-out trucks still line the pass at Bab el Wad as a battle memorial.

ELEVENTH DAY See Degania, the world's first kibbutz. And the site of the children's village of Gan Dafna seen in the film. (It's opposite the Biblical Cana.) You'll also tour Nazareth, where Jesus spent his early years.

ELAL's unusual new tour takes you to the places where Israel's modern day Exodus actually happened. You'll go on location to the same places where Otto Preminger took his film crew. You'll see where an all-star cast acted out the story of Exodus: from the Negev in the south of Israel to green Galilee in the north, and across the Mediterranean to Cyprus, where it all began in the detention camps at Karaolos.

You'll see all the places that played such an important part in the fight for Israeli independence: the fortress-prison at Acre, the Valley of Jezreel, Haifa, Jerusalem. You'll meet Israeli families in their homes, get to know some of the people who lived through the experiences that are now on film. And many of your guides will be Israeli citizens who had roles in the movie.

The flight to Tel Aviv is on the new Boeing 707/420 Jetliner. It's only 10 hours and 55 minutes nonstop from New York. Tours will leave from Idlewild International Airport in New York on the following dates: June 11, June 25, July 2, July 9, July 23, July 30, August 6, August 13, August 20, September 3, September 17, October 1, October 8 and October 15.

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TWELFTH DAY Three unforgettable days in Jerusalem. Mount Zion. The tombs of the Sanhedrin. Hebrew University. (Above, the film's Dov Landau is shown escaping after destroying a wing of the King David Hotel.)

OZROVER REBBE VISITING IN CITY

H. Rubenstein, a staunch follower of the Ozrover Rebbe, of Tel Aviv, announced this week that Toronto Jewry will have the privilege of greeting one of Jewry's greatest leaders.

Rabbi Epstein, the Ozrover Rebbe, one of the foremost Torah personalities and member of the Moetzet Gedolei Torah, will be a guest of Mr. Rubenstein at 321 Palmerston Blvd., for a few days.

A large delegation was expected to greet the Rebbe on his arrival Thursday night at Malton Airport.

A public reception is planned in his honour.

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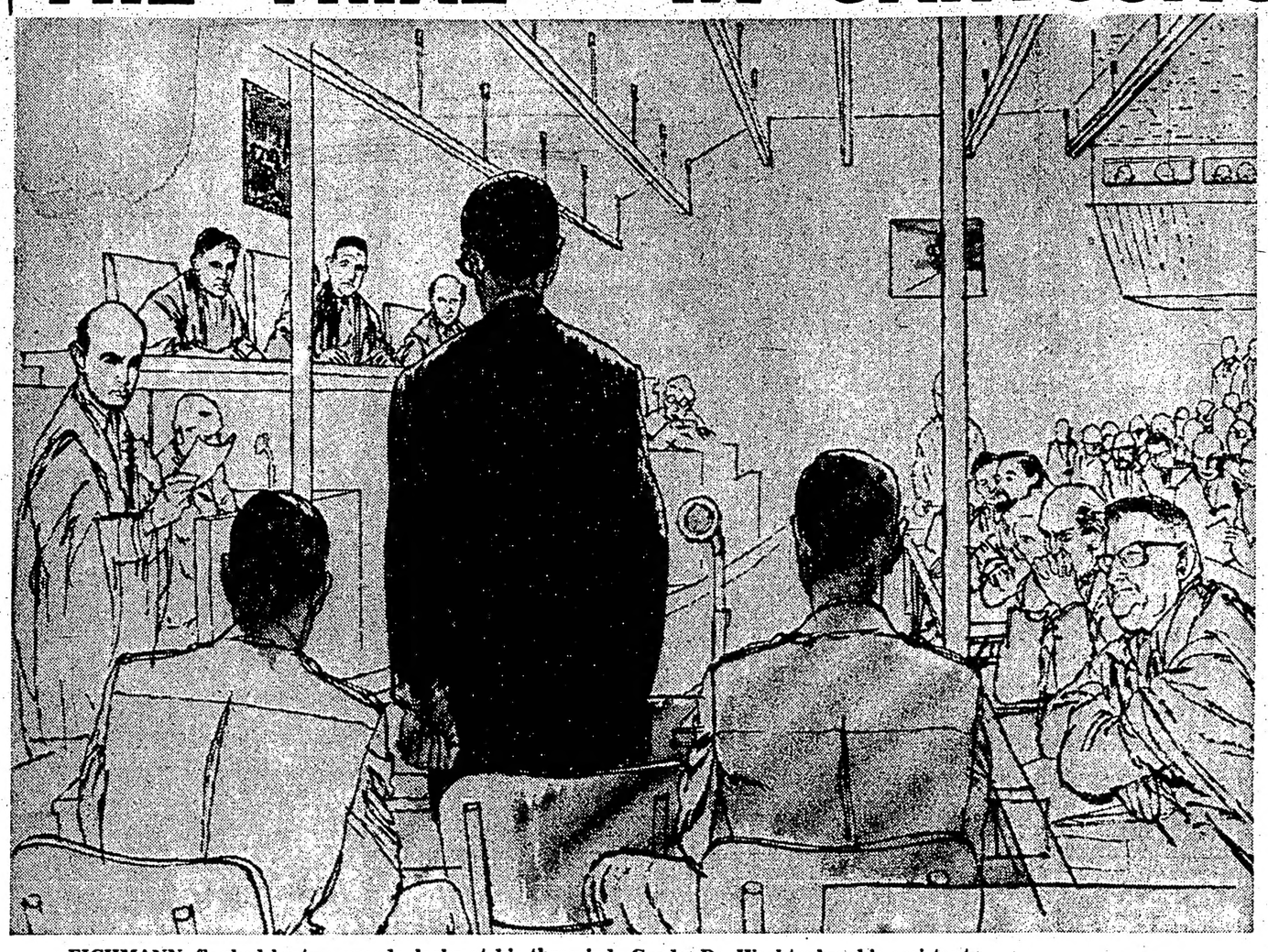


EICHMANN, flanked by two guards, looks at his three judges. — The president, Supreme Court Justice Moshe Landau, sits between Dr. Benjamin Halevi, on his right, and Dr. Itzhak Raveh. On their right, the official court reporter. On their left, the official interpreter.

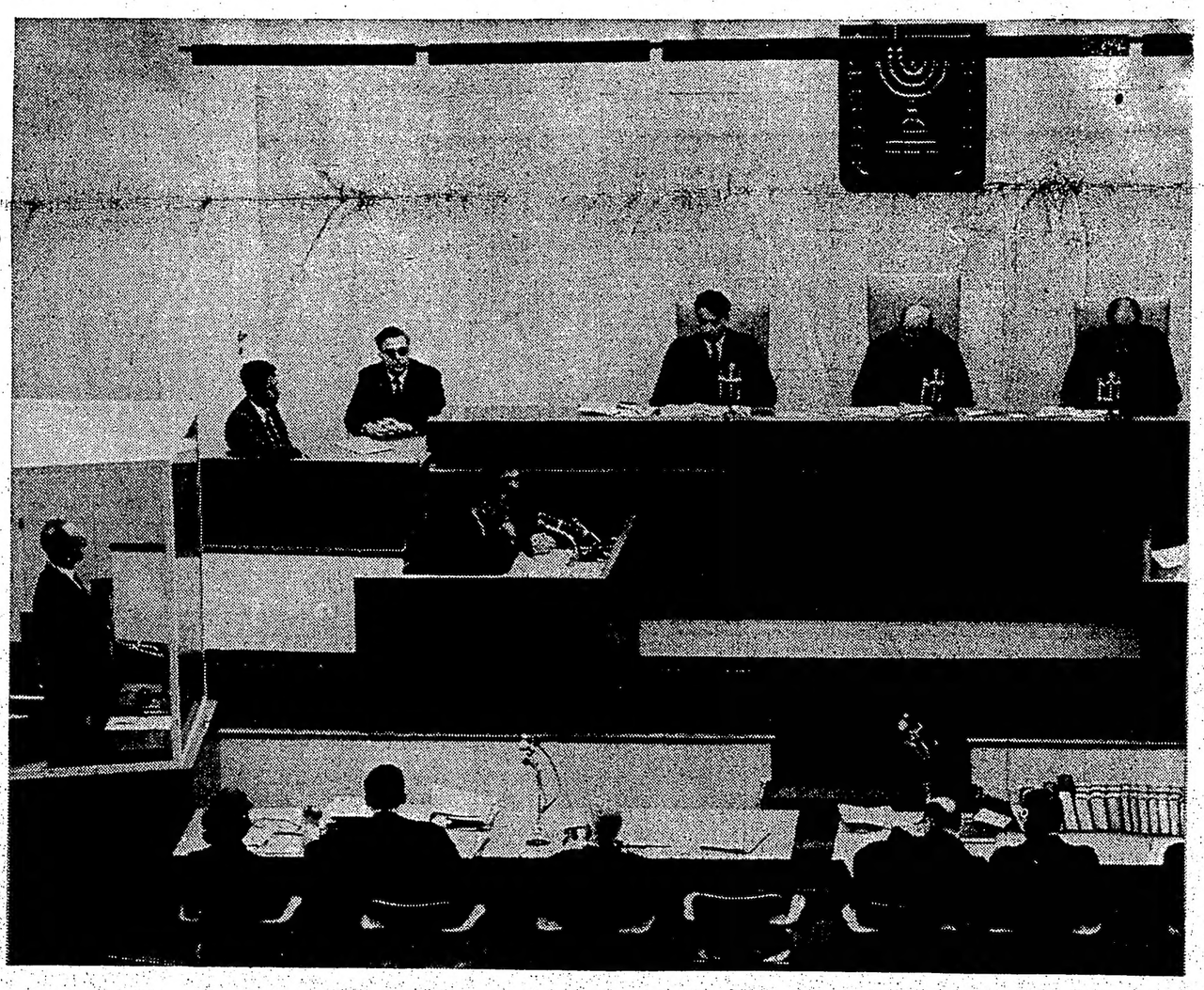
The chief prosecuting counsel, Israeli Attorney-General Dr. Gideon Hausner, stands on the right of the judges.

Next to Eichmann's box facing the Bench: the lawyers' desks. Nearest the defence counsel: Dr. Robert Servatius, who leads; his junior, Dr. Dieter Wechtenbruch; and Miss Lisa Grade, Dr. Wechtenbruch's assistant.

At the next desk sit the prosecutor's assistants, Jacob Baror and Gabriel Bach.

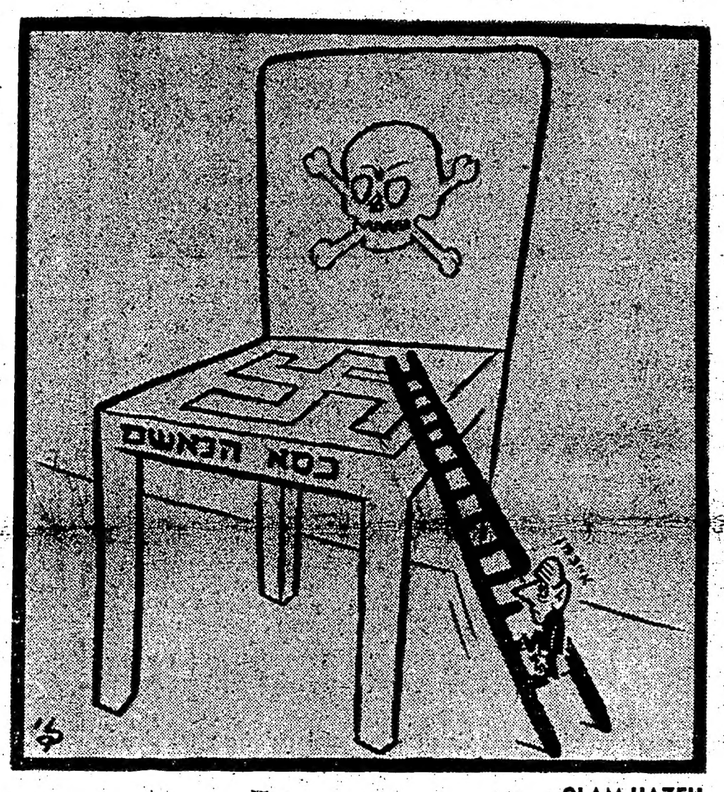
Facing Eichmann, and partly hidden by one of the wooden supports to the dock — the witness-box, above which, peering from its hole in the wall, is a TV camera rest, one of two which record the trial.

In a balcony which runs round three sides of the hall, glass boxes from which simultaneous translations of the proceedings will be made.



THE "SOLDIER" IN THE GLASS CAGE

— HAARETZ



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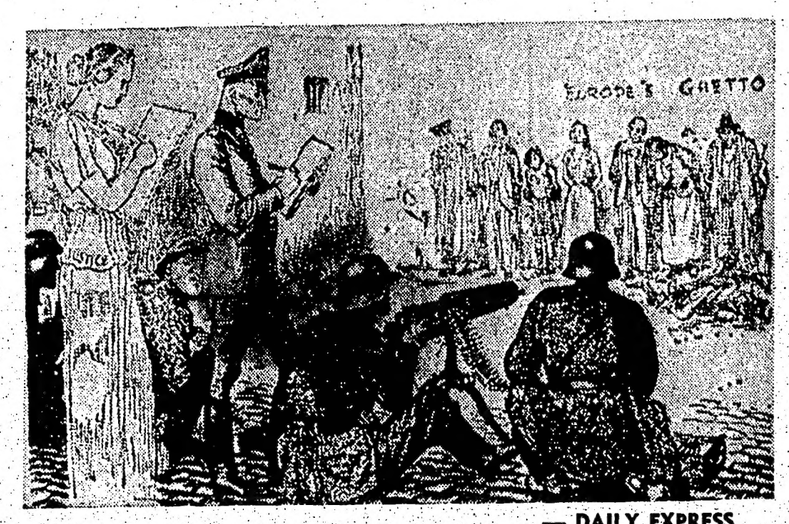

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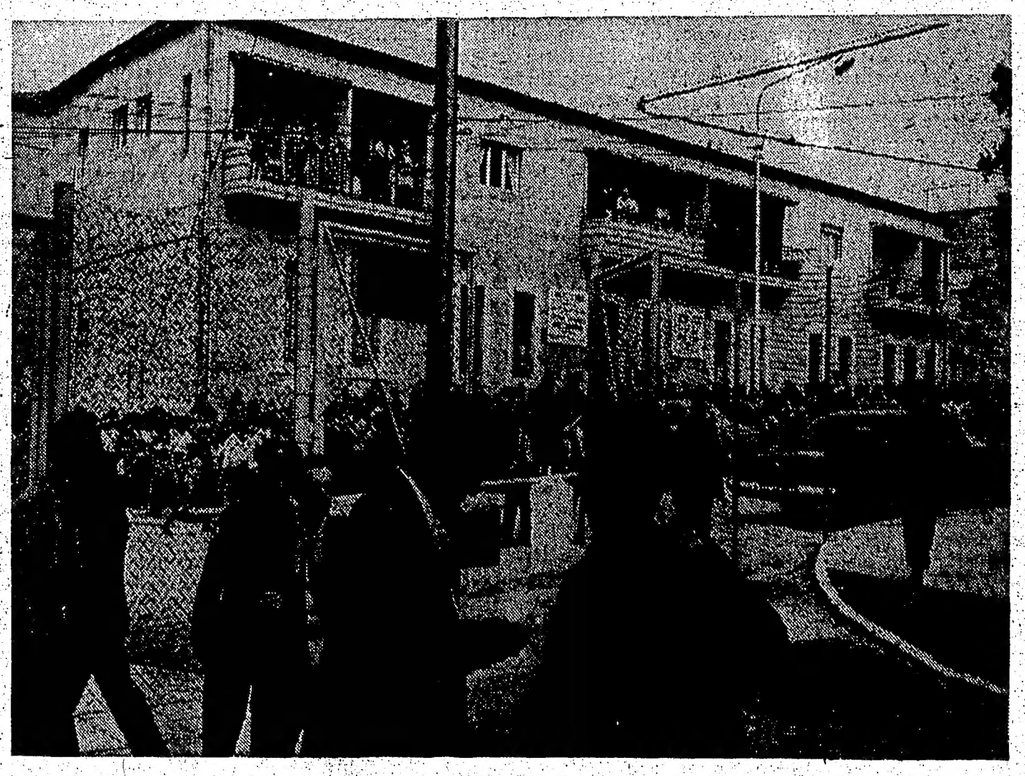

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MONTREAL 'STAR' ON EICHMANN

The Canadian Jewish News is pleased to reproduce here the lead editorial on the Eichmann case which appeared on April 11 in The Montreal Star. We feel that it sums up, concisely and well, the major issues involved—for non-Jew and Jew alike. We commend it to our readers.

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TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 1961

The Eichmann Trial

What is at stake in the trial of Adolf Eichmann in Israel. The man is on trial for crimes against the Jewish people and against humanity. Yet it is more than the trial of a man, a nation is in the dock with him. It is a trial of the Nazi regime, but it is also the trial of the German people.

Let us not lose our way in the legal intricacies of the case. Eichmann can challenge the jurisdiction of the court because he was kidnapped and taken to Israel. He can avail himself of every means of defence open to an accused before a British court, for Israel's criminal procedure is that of Palestine under the mandate when the writ of British common law ran.

These legalities need not concern us much as the trial proceeds. The Nuremberg trials really set the stage for the Eichmann trial. Both the charge and jurisprudence. Twenty-three men, who were Eichmann's superiors, the men who commanded the Einsatzgruppen, which carried out the murder of two million people, were condemned at Nuremberg. Their plea, that they merely obeyed orders, was rejected by the court. Here the court relied on the ruling of the International Military Tribunal that tried the Nazi leaders. Israel too relies on this precedent and on the accepted acceptance of the idea that the rules of international law are binding upon individuals.

Israel is making a show trial out of it. This is understandable and not without precedent in western countries—witness the Scopes case—where a moral principle is involved. It does not seek vengeance. Executing Eichmann would not avenge the 6,000,000 Jews killed in Hitler's "final solution" of the Jewish problem. It does seek to show what the Germans did, to place on record for posterity the method of the most ghastly crime in human history.

It is said that this trial will revive hatreds best forgotten. It may indeed do that. But it may also reawaken the moral conscience of a world that has signed the Genocide Convention without being fully aware of the horror that brought it into being.

"THE OTHERS WERE GUILTY"

Behrendt in Algemeen Handelsblad, Amsterdam

HOOLIGANISM OR RELIGION

Outbreaks of vandalism and violence by so-called "extreme Orthodox" zealots in Israel are not uncommon but until recently they had been directed mainly against lay citizens of the State.

Recently, however, the struggle inside the ultra-Orthodox camp has again sharpened, and zealots have been directing their violence against their fellows.

Only a few weeks ago supporters of one Hassidic Rebbe, who refuses to recognise or condone the existence of the Jewish State, attacked followers of the Klausenberg Rebbe whose beliefs lead them to act as loyal citizens of the State.

The outrage against the world famous Yeshiva Etz Hayyim in Jerusalem, which left only the synagogue untouched, also appears to arise from inter-Orthodox feuding.

The Yeshiva in question accepted financial aid from the Jerusalem Municipality in order to repair and redecorate its premises against the express criticism of the Neturei Karta, who disapprove of any contact with the Israel authorities - apart from scuffles with the police.

So far, the Israel authorities have been unprecedentedly lenient with hooligans, partly because of pressure from parties, but partly out of fear that Diaspora Jewry might mistake firmness for persecution. They can set their minds at rest: Western communities combine loyalty to Judaism with distaste for fanaticism and disapproval of violence, and would fully understand all legitimate measures by the authorities to keep the peace and prevent religion serving as a legitimisation for "The ways of Torah, are the ways of peace".

THE NORTH YORK PROBLEM AGAIN

The utter state of uncertainty in North York's plan for religious teaching in its public schools illustrates the futility of having such courses on the curriculum of a government school system.

About two years ago the township Board introduced a system into one school whereby the subject was given once a week at 3.30 (the last period of the school day). Parents were then asked if they wanted their children to take this subject. If they chose not to, they were dismissed at 3.30 on that particular day of the week.

By last fall four other schools had been given this plan. On February 13 at a stormy session of the North York School Board a majority of the trustees voted against applying this system to all schools in the township but voted only to give it to those schools whose parents asked for it. In actual fact there is no special concession involved for 3.30 is one of the four "permitted" periods of the day for this subject and the questionnaire to parents is only an implementation of what the Public School Act said a century ago: "Children shall receive such religious instruction **as their parents desire**".

A few weeks ago 120 parents from ten schools in widely differing parts of North York appeared before Dr. Minkler, head of the education system, and asked for the "3.30 plan with questionnaire". Dr. Minkler deliberated for a fortnight and his verdict was "yes" for six schools — "no" for four schools.

Which were the four schools rejected? They were three in Don Mills in the eastern extremity of the township and Downsview School in the western part.

Dr. Minkler, in his letters to the parent representatives, gave a rather revealing justification for his step. It was that the large part of the children in these four schools are "affiliated with Protestant churches" and for this reason there would be no threat of "disruption" if the dissenting children were exempted. (The fact that there were numerous Protestants among those who asked for the new plan seems to have gone totally unnoticed by Dr. Minkler).

This unusual line of reasoning leads to several conclusions:

1. That the course is one in Protestant sectarianism after all. This has been frequently denied by many of its proponents who maintain it is mere "Bible knowledge".

3. That if a parent is Protestant it is to be assumed that he favours the course and his child is obliged to take it, unless the parent goes to the trouble of "opting out". Protestant parents may resent this kind of inverted discrimination which prevents them from exercising the same free choice as parents of another faith.

3. If Jewish parents want some kind of protection from sectarian teachings they would be advised to move into an area with a Jewish majority — surely a totally unacceptable kind of Jim Crow ghettoization!

The North York fiasco, as we said at the beginning of this editorial, is an example of how impossible the 1944 regulations are to administer in terms of fairness and equal treatment for all.

It is time they were rescinded

Prof. John R. Seeley Challenges Sectarian Indoctrination

'Conspiracy of Silence' in Ontario Schools

By DR. John R. SEELEY

The issue of "Religious Education" in the public schools is so simple, so straightforward and clearcut, that hardly any honest man can doubt where the right lies. What is now being done is un-Christian, morally indefensible and ruinous to education and religion.

The issue it as nearly beyond debate as would be discussion of a supposed right to moral kidnapping. (Only totalitarian states claim such a right.)

Let me take a simple analogy. If you sent your child over to a neighbor's to play (or to a summer camp to learn campcraft), what would you think if quietly, very quietly, a different activity were introduced: Military drill, or beer-drinking or learning to be a beatnik? What would you think if you found out that the activity had been kept as *secret* as possible? What would you figure if, when you asked about the new activity, you got all sorts of misleading descriptions? How would you feel if, to get the child out, you or he had to pay a ransom?

INTRODUCED VERY QUIETLY

But this is exactly what this province — and only this province among the 10 provinces and the 50 states — is doing to its children.

The new activity is religious *indoctrination*. The department of education's own handbook says so. The object is, they say themselves, to get the child to "commit himself". What he is required to do in every other subject is to learn the facts, and gradually to mature his own judgements. But in this field alone, the teacher is to make converts, (i.e., to proselytize) and not to teach.

The new activity was introduced quietly very quietly, in 1944. The record shows a designed intent not to alert the public, the parents of the children, or the teachers, even the Church generally. Deliberately it was made difficult for those affected to notice the change, or to debate and support or protest this sudden departure. This procedure is in striking contrast to the usual department of education way of publicizing as much as possible, trumpeting from the housetops every least "improvement" in any aspect of school life. Why?

CONCEALED IN CURRICULUM

Once quietly started, the activity was camouflaged, kept as secret as possible. "Religious education" is the only subject which appears on no school report, though there is room in the report for every other course and even for all kinds of judgements. If you read the school curriculum, religious education is so concealed that you find 100 per cent of the child's school time accounted for by other subjects, even though he gets at least an hour of religious instruction a week.

In effect, from reading the curriculum, you would assume there was no such activity. Every other subject and what goes on in it, is explained by teachers to parents—what they do and why they do it—as often as they can get parents to listen: At Home and School, at open house nights, at conferences. "Religious education" is rarely or never mentioned. There is a conspiracy of silence. With regard to every other matter that is not straight academic education the school notifies parents or requests permission: Trips to museums, additional material, medical examinations, everything. Only "religious education" is never mentioned or asked about. Why?

Prof. John R. Seeley, professor of sociology at Toronto's York University and co-author of the famed "Crestwood Heights" study, is one of the leading spokesman of the current campaign to remove Protestant religious indoctrination from the curriculum of the public schools in Ontario.

In this hard-hitting article, published by the Toronto Daily Star last Saturday as part of a "pro and con" feature on the controversy, Dr. Seeley incisively and convincingly analyzes the issues.

ALSO HIDE THE CRUMBS

Indeed, the only thing that official educators *cannot* be brought to do is the simplest thing: *To ask the parents what they want.* The law says that what the children are to have in the way of religious instruction is what their parents desire. One might expect school-men to take steps to find out. But, no! They somehow "know" what you want, they say. They say that, if you were sore you'd protest. But *they will not ask.* If your youngster sneaked cookies because, he said, he "knew" you wanted him to have them, you'd smile, especially if he'd carefully hidden the crumbs. But these clergymen and educators have no hesitation in using the same argument, and they also hide the crumbs.

If you ask about the program, you get only misleading information. You are told: "It is only harmless Bible stories." You are told this is the only way that the child can be led to appreciate the contribution of religion to civilization. You are told: "We just teach the common faith."

SLANTED AND SECTARIAN

These statements are half-truths or worse. The course is not harmless Bible stories: The stories are interpreted, often very badly, and always with a particular slant. The material is sectarian and controversial: It represents part of a Protestant view 'many believe not the best and most living part); and to half of Christendom it is heretical and schismatic doctrine. The course is not a way to appreciate the genuine contribution of religion to civilization, if only because it is made to appear that religion and "the respectable Protestant churches" are the same thing, a view no historian could countenance. The school does not teach "the common faith;" if there were a faith common to the sponsoring churches, they would be able to unite (as many laymen wish they would) instead of explaining their division as due to differences of belief. Why these lies and evasions?

HAVE TO PAY RANSOM'

No matter what you believe, you cannot get the child out without paying a ransom: The mark of kidnap. You are told that your religious liberty is protected by the provision that you may have your child exempted. So you may. But not without making a fuss, not without making an example of the child, not without segregating him and embarrassing both him and the others by making him invidiously "special". The educators will not even allow, in general, that this indoctrination (which is not education) be offered at the end of the school day so that the child might go home quietly and naturally, and stand out as little as possible.

It is of the essence of the Protestant position that every man is responsible before God for the moral judgements he makes; neither Church nor state can make these for him. How then can Protestant leaders conspire with the state to render it difficult to make such decisions? The whole procedure is so patently expedient and dishonest, so unprincipled and inconsiderate, that the decent conscience gags at it. What supports it, then?

WOULD DESTROY DEMOCRACY

Its supporters say they must have something to fight communism. But they use the very procedures of communism—state schools must, they declare, indoctrinate majority doctrine. The policy is more likely to destroy democracy; democracy cannot be saved by consenting to immorality for the sake of expediency.

The advocates of the program also say that parents neglect the religious care of ther children, and so *someone* must substitute. Only a Church doubting its own power to attract the young would want to use the schools to force them; to secure a captive and helpless audience of guileless little children. This is Satanic. A surer way to bring organized religion to lose the respect it still has is hard to imagine. The clergy who consent are being gentle as serpents and wise as doves—which is not as their Master bade them. Religion cannot be served by guile. The Church cannot be saved by political tricks.

THE MIND BOGGLES

Indeed, the mind boggles at the idea that these views and practices can be put forward by Christians—more particularly Protestants. Can one imagine Christ behaving so? Can one imagine anyone even faintly touched by or imbued with His spirit lending himself to such an offence against children? "Better it were for him that a millstone were hung about his neck...."

Once again, as occasionally before in history, the very Spirit of Christ cries out against the practice of those who claim to lead His Church. "Feed my sheep," He said; not "Spirit away the lambs." And only a handful of officials in school and Church are so spiritually blind as not to know the difference.

NO LAUGHING MATTER

JERUSALEM, (UPI) — Presiding Judge Moshe Landau is running the trial of Adolf Eichmann with an iron hand, brook-no levity.

Attorney General Gideon Hausner had trouble pronouncing the State of Idaho in referring to a court precedent there. He repeatedly mispronounced it "eye-DAH-oh," with the accent on the second syllable.

Landau listened with impatience and finally interrupted to cry: "It is Idaho, Mr. Attorney General."

There was a burst of laughter. Landau cut it off swiftly by announcing: "If anyone laughs in this court, I will have him expelled at once."

Earlier, a man had been ejected from the public gallery at Landau's order for laughing.

SERMON FOR THE WEEK

LINGUISTIC LEPROSY

The Scriptural reading for this Sabbath is treasure trove for the antiquary. Here the medical student will learn, doubtless with a sense of fascination, how the ancient Hebrew physician diagnosed leprosy and then proceeded to prevent the spread of the infection by isolation. From earliest times, physical cleanliness stood near to godliness in Judaism.

But the Jewish ethical genius was not content to accept the medical aspect of this dread disease as the final view of the malady. It looked beyond the body to the mind, and sought the psychological and spiritual roots of this nauseating sickness. The psycho-somatic approach to illness finds support in basic Jewish teaching. Behind the physical leper Talmudic Judaism saw an ethical leprosy that was the real malaise. Human vices are legion; but the leper among them is slander. The Sages quipped: metzora (ieper) is in truth motzi shem ra (he that brings forth an evil name), the one whose smear campaigns make him a menace to society. Such a man (or woman) is unfit to live among his fellows.

In this concept Judaism gave expression to one of its profoundest teachings. The word is the most powerful force in human life. It can be used for good or evil. ('Death and life are in the power of the tongue'). It can make a man immortal, or it can drag him down to the depths of disaster. At times ('there is as it were a plague in the house'). The malaise may infect a home; an evil tongue may lay it in ruins, beneath which are buried broken hearts. A word of aggression may set the world ablaze with all the hellish fires of war. It is not the sword that slays; it is the wounding word of enmity and hate that destroys.

If there is one truth above others that our generation is desperately called upon to learn, it is the evil of linguistic leprosy. One need not delve into the logical cruxes and contradictions, laid bare by analytical philosophy to realise that we are living in an age whose besetting sin is the misuse of language.

'Freedom' is a sacred word on both sides of the Iron Curtain, but it does not prevent conscienceless dictatorship in one sphere or avid exploitation in the other. "Democracy" is another key-word that is full of polaric inconsistencies in practice: for millions it means "no vote"; for other millions it means the yoke of a ruthless, unethical majority. "Religion", any tiro knows, means "love". But in some instances it is "colour blind" and in others it feeds on the odium theologicum till it is hard for the uninitiated to decide whether honest hate is not to be preferred.

There is a river called Jordan. In a bygone, Biblical age, Naaman the Aramean leper, was healed by its waters under the prophetic speel of Elisha. The river still flows — from the semantic truth of the Torah; prophetic Judaism can still heal the linguistic leprosy of our age; if only the modern Naaman will have the faith and the courage to bathe in its soul-healing waters.

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THE BOOBY PRIZE

The prize for the most irresponsible news story of the year may be awarded to the Oakville Record-Star and its correspondent, John Wallace.

Close upon the heels of an ugly piece of anti-Semitic provocation and vandalism in that community, the weekly sent out its correspondent to dig up a follow-up story. This it found in a tale of complaint from a delicatessen operator in an Oakville shopping plaza who had a "beef" against his neighbouring shops who were "squeezing him out" — because, in his view, "they" were Jews and he a German. The "story" got a front-page headline.

To give credence to the complaint of a disgruntled retail merchant and to give printed authenticity to his anti-Jewish imputations to the extent of reproducing it in the news columns and distributing it in the hundreds or thousands, is the height of irresponsibility.

In this context of a swastika-scrawling delinquent (or worse), it is incredible that a newspaper should go tracking down the complaints of a frustrated businessman who blames his business troubles on "the Jews". This is neither legitimate news nor does it serve any constructive communal purpose.

Canadian Panorama

BY MORDECAI HIRSHENSON

SCANNING THE ONTARIO PRESS

The Rev. A. C. Forrest is editor of the United Church Observer. As an extra-curricular activity he is contributing a series of articles on religious education in the public schools to the Peterborough Examiner.

The first of these articles, which appeared on April 8, already contains three egregious misstatements and distortions. Mr. Forrest refers to the Ethical Education as "a Unitarian front organization". The Ethical Education Association, as is well-known, comprises members who are affiliated with many of the conventional denominations in addition to some who are Unitarians and whose devotion to their church is no less pronounced than Mr. Forrest's.

Mr. Forrest, however, is one of those persons who cannot conceive of a person devoted to his religion who would not want to see it taught in the public school. That this could be a genuine impulse on someone's part directed by sincerity and public welfare — and even by interest in the welfare of the church — is something unimaginable to him.

A second reference he makes is really unworthy of him. Referring to "The League for Religious education in the public schools back in 1944, he states that its 'moving spirit.... later returned to her native Poland". The person referred to here, but not named, is Mrs. Leopold Infeld. Mrs. Infeld is a native of the USA, not of Poland. However, since she went to the latter country to live with her Polish-born husband, what better device could there be to label the whole movement as "foreign-born" and "alien"?

Mr. Forrest makes an interesting admission. He states: "It is generally accepted that the public school classroom is not the place for teaching of doctrine" and then proceeds to point out, of course, that what is being given in Ontario public schools is not "doctrine" but "Bible knowledge".

LESAGE SPEAKS

The speech of Jean Lesage, Premier of Quebec, to the Zionist Organization of Canada given last October, has been reprinted in a small brochure. It is headed "Minorities in Canada" and deals with the role that Jews have played in Canada's history and the position of minorities in general in Canadian history — the French-Canadian minority and Canadians as a whole who are a minority within the North American background. He rejects the melting-pot concept and offers a new ideal of Canadian identity.

This was the speech, incidentally, in which Mr. Lesage emphatically rejected the philosophy of André Bellefeuille whose activities had been exposed only a day before over the CBC Newsmagazine program.

There is one question that occurs to the reader. The words Israel or Zionism do not occur anywhere in Mr. Lesage's speech. Other than the fact that it was delivered to a Zionist conference, why would the ZOC reproduce it? It would seem to be a more logical assignment for the Canadian Jewish Congress.

OTTAWA'S CENTRE SERVES ALL

The Ottawa Jewish Centre, located on the border between fashionable Sandy Hill and working-class Lower Town, is unique among such centres in Canada — and perhaps in North America. It comprises a total service for every aspect of Jewish social, communal and religious life. The following are among its facilities:

— **A synagogue**; not merely a bes-medrash or part time conventicle, but the city's oldest and largest congregation. Appropriately named Beth Shalom, it is a re-union of the Rideau Street and the King Edward Avenue Shools who split from each other at the turn of the century.

— **A Talmud Torah** and, what is even more striking, **a Hebrew Day School.** Though Day Schools are the norm in similarly sized communities in the West, there is no other Jewish community of this size in Eastern Canada that supports a Day School.

— **A Jewish Welfare Fund** office that carries on fund-raising for local and overseas needs.

— **A Jewish Community Council** — or to call it by the traditional name it uses, **a Va'ad Ha'ir** — that concerns itself with the general internal welfare of the kehilla including such basics as kashrut, shechita, etc., to say nothing of public relations and communal planning.

— **A Centre** along the lines of a YM-YWHA complete with the full appurtenances and prerequisites such as gymnasium and basketball floor, steam rooms (wet and dry), handball courts, gymnastic equipment, lockerrooms and, rather inexplicably when one considers Ottawa's climate, an outdoor swimming pool.

— In addition to this, of course, there is an auditorium for public meetings of all kinds.

Executive Director for this all-serving Jewish community instrument is Hy Hochberg, an Ottawa-born young man.

"MR. SAM" IS SEVENTY

Samuel Bronfman, Canadian Jewry's magnate, has reached the pinnacle of recognition — top mention in the "Social and Personal Notes" of the London (England) Jewish Chronicle. The note at the head of the column recently stated in its usual unadorned style: 'Mr. Bronfman celebrated his seventieth birthday yesterday." This in the space usually reserved for the Chief Rabbi, the Haham, the President of the Board of Deputies and other luminaries of this Anglo-Jewish Establishment.

Harry Golden From Israel

THE EICHMANN TRIAL

'THEY WERE BORN JEWS'

Since the beginning of a civilized legal system, a trial has had a tremendous hold on the attention of man. The trials that have aroused most interest are those with which there is some empathy — with either the victim for whom the defendant stands trial, or with the defendant because of the nature of his crime. Thus people felt a greater identity in the trial of a New Hampshire doctor who hastened the inevitable death of his patient by a few hours than they did, really, with the trial of the Nazi war criminals at Nuremberg.

The Nuremberg trial, which resulted in conviction of the top Nazis, was possibly one of the most important trials ever judged. It fixed guilt and sentences for the modern 20th century crimes of aggressive war, slave labor recruitment and genocide. The Nuremberg tribunal specified that such acts could be considered and judged by an international court just as acts of piracy could be considered by an international court.

While there was great interest in the defendants and in their reactions to prison, there was not a wide general interest in the trial itself. Most men believed the Nazis guilty, but were not intent on the legalistic derivation of that guilt.

The Eichmann trial will be different. Unlike the Nuremberg trial, the Eichmann trial in Jerusalem will concern itself specifically with the Nazi plan to wipe out the Jews.

There was no parallel with the Nazi program in the long history of the Jewish people. The persecutions, the proscriptions, the massacres, the restriction to ghettos, the political disabilities that followed Jews through the centuries were always based on specific "charges." For the first 15 centuries of the modern era most of the persecutions were based on religion. The Jewish heretic was expelled, hounded, or massacred, but he always knew why.

The great massacre of Jews which took place in the Ukraine in 1666 was essentially a revolt against absentee landowners who had used Jews as rent collectors. In the modern era, Jews have known discrimination first for the fiction of having invented Capitalism (the gentle Brooks Adams was bitter against Jews for this, claiming they had destroyed his world of "knights, peasants, and artisans"), and then for the fiction of being "radicals."

False and absurd and vicious as these charges were, they were still charges and the accusation conferred upon Jews the dignity of an indictment and the possibility, slim though it might be, of at least offering a defense.

Eichmann killed Jewish men, women and children for no other reason than thay they were born Jews. He becomes then the symbol of the Nazi pathology. Thus he will command a great interest in what his defense can possibly be. There will be as well the immediate identification by thousands of survivors, as well as Jews who did not suffer, but could have suffered and died.

The great interest in the Eichmann trial will come because a chief representative of a national madness stands before his accusers, a madness, however, with every possible vestige of sanity. It is precisely this sanity which is the most frightful of all aspects of Nazism.

FOR THE RECORD

The trial of Adolph Eichmann in Jerusalem for crimes committed against the Jewish people during the Nazi regime is not without its risks, and the Israeli authorities are fully aware of the risks involved.

The first risk they run in the public trial of Eichmann is making him some sort of martyr. One cannot say that Eichmann lives without a sense of personal torment and, since the war has been over some 16 years, it may—nay, it will appear to some—that Eichmann's trial only opens old wounds.

Another danger the trial runs is the concern that the trial may engender anti-Semitic outbreaks in Argentina and elsewhere.

The prosperous Jewry in America is keeping its fingers crossed. Only a few have expressed their fears openly. But some of these fears are concentrated in the "abduction" of Eichmann and his transfer to Israel.

The final worry is one about legality and morality. The chief prosecutor, in a private interview, has set fears at ease about this last point. The sovereign state of Israel, not world-wide Jewry, is trying Eichmann. The state of Israel has a right to try any criminal within its borders. While the truth is that Adolph Eichmann was indeed taken from his home in Argentina, that in no way should prohibit his trial by a competent authority. Our own American courts have reasoned in the cases of such abduction that, though there is an ambiguous ethic to the process of apprehension, a criminal cannot escape trial because he did not wish to be tried.

Those American Jews (and, surprisingly, a considerable body of Israelis) who fear the publicity the trial may bring might be said to be worried about calling attention to themselves. The Israeli authorities say that this fear is only a minifestation of guilt where there is no crime of which to be guilty, an affliction known to Jews for many centuries. No anti-Semite cares what an Israeli court does to Eichmann, and the outcome of his trial will not affect his ideas one whit.

It is clear from conversation with the Israeli authorities, including the Prime Minister ,that punishment is not the prime mover in this trial of Adolph Eichmann. In a private discussion with this writer about three weeks ago, Mr. David Ben-Gurion expressed the view that the trial may serve more than its obvious purpose. He hoped is would record the method and action adopted by the Nazis to introduce the concept of genocide.

This revelation would be accompanied by the irrefutable accounts of eye witnesses and the record will be sent to every library in the world. It will be a record to prove that, for the first time in history, a political power decided to eliminate an entire race of people—to banish them from earth for no other reason than they were born Jews.

PROFILE

EICHMANN TRIAL JUDGE

MOSHE LANDAU

Like many Jews during World War II, Moshe Landau lived a double life. However, the head of the three-man tribunal now hearing the Adolf Eichmann case in Jerusalem had fled Germany earlier and his dual role was played out in Palestine. By day Mr. Landau sat under a portrait of King George VI in the Magistrates Court on the slopes of Mount Carmel and administered British justice. At night, he acted as a Jewish patriot and moved to a secret court in the lower part of the harbour city and adjudicated cases for the illegal Jewish underground movement, the Haganah.

Mr. Landau left Germany in 1930 to go to Britain to study law. Hitler has risen to power by the time Mr. Landau obtained his Bachelor of Law degree in 1933 and the new lawyer did not return to Danzig, the place of his birth. Instead, he went to Palestine.

Mr. Landau, who is 48 years old, is the youngest member of the Israeli Supreme Court. However, he is one of the best known justices. That is attributable to the fact that some of the cases he has handled have won wide attention. One judgement he handed down two years ago is expected to be cited as an important precedent in the Eichmann case.

Curfew Massacre Recalled

That judgement was in the case of Israeli officers and men of the Border Police who killed forty-three Arab villagers while enforcing a curfew on the Israeli-Jordanian frontier. The massacre occurred Oct. 29, 1956, while the Israeli Army was attacking the Egyptians in the Sinai Peninsula. The Arabs had returned to their village unaware that the curfew had been imposed.

The accused pleaded that the orders to shoot curfew breakers had come from higher echelons and that they had not acted according to their own wishes.

Justice Landau presided over the appeal in the Supreme Court. He upheld the conviction of eight officers and men. He said: "A soldier, too, must have a conscience."

Justice Landau explained that the obviously merciless order should have aroused the conscience of every man, down to the last private, "even under the special circumstances that existed on that day."

A similar principle is expected to come up in the Eichmann trial. Eichmann's counsel, Dr. Robert Servatius of Cologne, Germany, has indicated that the defence woud be based on the assertion that Eichmann merely had been a cog in a machine that he had only obeyed superior orders in sending millions of Jews to annihilation camps.

Justice Landau is a tall, soft-spoken, distinguished looking man who prefers dressing in conservative English suits, regardless of the heat. "You'd never see him in a sports shirt or shorts, which has practically become Israel's national uniform," a friend remarked.

When he toured the United States in 1955 on a goodwill mission for the Israeli Government, he told Mrs. William O. Douglas, wife of the Supreme Court Justice, he was amazed at the excessive amount of food he found on American dinner tables. "I almost lose my appetite from such over-abundance," he said.

A Weakness for Sweets

Although spartan in his culinary taste, the Justice admitted he was crazy about American ice cream and also confessed a craving for sugar dating to childhood. "I have been compared to a horse," he explained, "because every time I see a bowl with lumps of sugar I can't help devouring every lump."

For exercise, Justice Landau plays an occasional game of tennis and takes long walks. He is also a lover of music with a preference for early eighteen century composers. Friends say he is a "professional amateur" at playing the piano in small chamber music groups.

He is president of the Jerusalem Chamber Music Society, and serves as chairman of the Board of Governors of the Israel Institute of Technology in Haifa.

His legal career in Tel Aviv began when he entered a law firm headed by Pinhas Rosen, now Minister of Justice, and Dr. Moshe Smoira, Israel's first Chief Justice. In 1940, he left the bar for the bench and was appointed by the British Government in Palestine to be a magistrate in Haifa. When Israel became independent, he was promoted to the District Court. In 1953, at the age of 41, he rose to the Supreme Court.

Justice Landau is married to the daughter of an Israeli lawyer. The couple has three daughters, 5, 11 and 14 years old.

BENJAMIN HALEVI

YITZHAK RAVEH

DATELINE: ISRAEL — By Carl Alpert

The Israel Elections

(The second of 2 columns on Israel's coming elections.)

HAIFA — If Mr. Ben Gurion stops to review the outstanding personal achievements of his leadership in Israel, he can find satisfaction in a number of significant steps. Upon the emergence of the State it was he who moved promptly and effectively to suppress the private armies, the military organizations of the political parties, of the left and of the right, which he insisted must give way to one national army. He nationalized the country's education system, and took the schools away from the political parties which operated them. He banished the red flag from the schools. He made it clear that man's right to a job can not be restricted to those who subscribe to a special set of beliefs, and he therefore made Israel's labor exchanges an operation of the government, rather than of a single institution. In recent years he has been warning that the State and its interests must take priority over the interests of the Histadruth.

He has achieved major successes in his program of national reforms, but one last task remains to be done. Ben Gurion is determined that Israel revise its intolerable election system. In the 1959 elections, 22 parties competed for the support of the electorate. Of these, 12 polled less than one per cent each of the vote, and therefore obtained no seats in the Knesseth; 10 parties won the right to fight each other on the Knesseth floor.

This state of affairs is encouraged by a system of pure proportional representation. Small parties and fragments of parties are encouraged to put their names on the ballot in the hope that a scattering of votes from here and there will suffice to elect at least the party leader. This system puts a premium on small parties. It means that the voting strength of the country is dissipated among many groups, and no one party can ever garner enough support to enable it to govern without resort to unstable coalitions. This had been the great weakness in France; this has been the weakness of Israel's political system.

Ben Gurion realizes that amalgamation of the many small opposition parties may very well mean the end of the hegemony of Mapai — a hegemony which has held sway over the Zionist movement and then over the State of Israel for an unbroken period of 28 years. Many in Israel believe it is time for a change.

Previous attempts to revise the election system failed due to the opposition of most of the little parties. On this, at least, they could all agree.

But the sudden call for elections on August 15th has created a new set of conditions. The two small parties to the immediate right of Mapai, the Progressives and the General Zionists, have formally decided to pool their efforts and to present a united front at the polls under the name of the Liberal Party. They will make their appeal to the intellectual and academic classes, to business and professional people, and to those elements in the labor movement who are not wedded to Marxism. The potential of the Liberal Party is enormous. If their new platform is thoughtfully elaborated, and their election campaign skilfully conducted, they may be able to capture the always large floating vote, as well as large segments of strife-torn Mapai. They may draw strength also from the right wing Herut.

On the other extreme of the political spectrum there have been valiant efforts to combine the two parties left of Mapai. Mapam took the initiative and offered the olive branch to Ahduth Avodah, based on their common desire to establish Israel as a true Socialist State. Such a union would probably lean more to the Eastern bloc in world afairs than to the West — or at the very best would follow a policy of "neutrality" as between East and West. A united left would also drain votes from Mapai. This would be the party which in all likelihood would provide haven for Pinhas Lavon and his dissidents. Thus far, however, the leaders of Ahduth Avodah have refused the merger. Perhaps they have reason to believe that with support from Lavon they do not need to bind themselves to the much more dogmatic and authoritarian Mapam.

These are the weeks during which all the discussions and negotiations are going on. As I wrote last week, everybody is interested in picking up some of the pieces from the Mapai wreckage. If the various amalgamations and unifications take place, and if we go into the elections with only five or six parties, there may be a major reorganization in Israel's political constellation. But even if Ben Gurion's Mapai declines in strength, he may yet have the satisfaction of obtaining his last great victory, in the field of electoral reform.

FROM BROADWAY:

THE LYONS DEN

By LEONARD LYONS

CHEF: Robert, of the Caravelle restaurant in New York, is the man who, on assignment from Joseph P. Kennedy, found and trained the new chef for the White House. The man was Robert's second choice. The first chef he selected asked for time to consider the offer and then turned it down — for family reasons. His wife preferred New York, rather than the White House.

KING: Ex-King Zog of Albania, who died last week, married a woman of American descent. An American friend, Dr. W. J. Schieffelin, had advised him to marry an Albanian gir. Zog told him: "You mean for me to marry a nice girl from my country, and I mean to marry a nice gi-" from yours" . . . During his exile in France, Zog was asked if he still was recognized by the American government. He shrugged: "Not even by a headwaiter."

PROBLEM: Thornton Wilder, now travelling in Europe, was discussing the problems a bachelor has in his daily routine. "I can look after my eternal soul," sighed Wilder, "but I need someone to look after my laundry."

REVIEW: Joel Schenker, coproducer of the play about Sigmund Freud, "A Far Country," was told this story by Wilder about his book "The Cabala." He'd met Freud, admired him and was anxious to get his opinion about the new book. He had an appointment with Freud, and hopefully sent him a copy of the book. When Wilder opened the door, Freud hurled the book at him. Wider said this was the most concise book review in history.

SUCCESS: Henry Denker wrote "A Far Country." On opening night his mother and her large family went to Sardi's to wait for the notices. Mrs. Denker assured them all that the play had to be a hit. Her daughter asked: "But how can you be so sure?" . . . Mrs. Denker said: "If I can sit through a whole play without getting a headache, it's got to be a hit."

CONTRIBUTION: There was a party in New York last Sunday night for William McCormick Blair Jr., the new Ambassador to Denmark, and his fiancee, Catherine Gerlach. One of the guests told this story about another U.S. Ambassador in Scandinavia, the late Charles U. Bay, Ambassador to Oslo. He contributed to the Democratic National Committee, not only in his own name and his wife's but also in the names of relatives.

One contribution was in the name of his sister, who was a Republican National Committeewoman. Her Republican colleagues demanded an explanation of her contribution to the Democratic Party. She replied: "I'm a Protestant, but I also contribute to Catholic and Jewish organizations. I have the same attitude toward political organizations."

LESSONS: A well-dressed drunk staggered into the Arthur Murray studios last week to enroll for lessons. He was given a rapid spiel on how much the longest and most expensive series would cost. On his way out the drunk paused at the framed head photo of Arthur Murray, and said: "I never knew Adlai cared to dance."

RECONCILIATION: The many friends of Dorothy Parker and Alan Campbell are delighted with the news of their reconciliation and the renewal of their professional collaboration. They were divorced once, and then remarried. After the second wedding reception Miss Parker said: "There were so many people who hadn't spoken to each other in years — including the bride and groom."

INDEPENDENCE: Ed Murrow, as head of the U.S. Information Agency, has almost as much autonomy as it is possible to have in governmental chain of command. In accepting the post as boss of the agency, Murrow was heeding some advice he once had from Jonathan Daniels, the publisher-author: "When you're your own boss, you're working for a man who's really concerned with your welfare.'

EVIDENCE: Harold Humes, the novelist, has been a leader in the fight against those who would banish Bohemia from New York. On Sunday he was in Washington Square carrying his tape recorder, when the police started chasing the folk singers. Humes protested, and was arrested by a cop who grabbed his recorder. He called to a news cameraman to photograph the cop with his recorder, thereby assuring its return . . . Humes will use his tape-record as evidence of the folk singers' innocence when their case comes to trial.

HUMAN RELATIONS:

Envy of Sister

DR. ROSE N. FRANZBLAU

QUESTION: I am 33, happily married and the mother of a daughter, 9. My parents are 60 and 61. I also have a sister, 17. My parents tried to have another child for many years. When my sister finally was born we were all overjoyed. Born with a heart defect, she lived a perfectly normal life because she was not restricted. No one was told. When she was 14 apatent ductus operation was performed with fantastic success. I couldn't bear the thought of waiting for the results, so I went along with my little girl and parents to the city where the operation was performed. This is how close we are.

My sister attends a private college. I attended a city college. Now my sister is going steady. My parents don't object to the boy, but that she is tying herself down to one boy too soon. He goes to a technical school and says he won't be able to marry her for three years. My sister says she is madly in love. Anyone who doesn't approve isn't her friend. My parents have spoken to her kindly and also with threats and anger. My dad is sad because he is really crazy about her and my mom is heartbroken.

My sister is really a good kid. But my parents are getting on in years and I don't want them hurt. I can't see things getting better until she marries.

ANSWER: The attitude of your parents to your sister's congenital defect and the action which they took to correct it were exemplary. Because she was never made to feel handicapped, she is now acting very normally, going through a phase of adolescent rebelliousness.

Though your sister's operation has been "fantastically successful," your parents are extending unduly her period of recovery and convalescence. Like all parents, they want a husband for her who can look after their daughter even better than they did; because of past history, this wish is even greater than usual.

This plays a part in your parents' reactions to her going steady and being "madly in love." Miraculous though her recovery may be, they may be afraid that both desire and frustration could be too much for your sister now. To propitiate their guilt for really wanting her, at last, to be out on her own, and to allay her fears, they are picky and choosy about any male who might possibly be a candidate for marriage.

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Your seeming delight at your sister's coming was mixed with much unconscious hostility, envy, and also some embarrassment. You were 16 when she was born.

Overconcern often hides unfriendly and hostile feelings. By overdoing it, the person hopes that her hostility will in some way be undone and will disappear. As you were envious of the special regard your sister received before, you may now be envious that your father is seeing her through a private college. Again, it indicates that illness gets rewards but good health does not. In these moments of envy, it may help you to look upon your sister as something of a daughter to you.

But it is no help to your sister to know that your parents consult with you, and that you agree with them most of the time. It only strengthens her rebelliousness and makes her fight harder because there are more people to fight.

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If there were not so much disapproval, the demand for such universal approval would not be so great. Your sister will not begin to question how strong her feelings for this boy really are until the pressure to break it up ceases. This young man may really be right for her, and your objection to him may be mainly that he cannot take her off your parents' hands for another three years. Your sister senses this as pressure to get rid of her as soon as possible. To punish them for pushing her, she picks one who is not available for marriage soon. It is the disapproval that is steadying her resolve. A casual acceptance of the relationship will help both the family and your sister to see it for whatever it really is.

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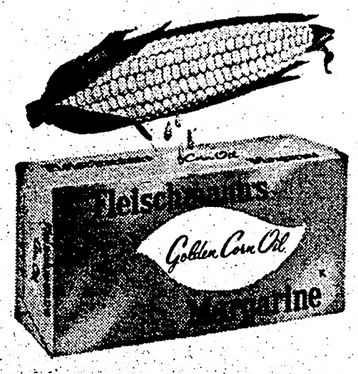

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TORONTO ORBIT

BY BERNICE DYMENT

THE TALK OF OUR TOWN: Sir Cedric . . . "Ask the Right Questions . . . Recognition for a Zionist Leader . . . 'Degel' for our Associated Hebrew Schools."

Sir Cedric Hardwicke, a most distinguished, urbane and gracious gentleman, in Toronto to appear in "A Majority of One" with Gertrude Berg, speaks mostly of his experiences as a new author. His autobiography, "A Victorian in Orbit" will appear very shortly. Sir Cedric was asked why he engaged a collaborator in writing his life-story. He explained that he tried to do it himself, and spent hours talking into a tape-recorder. "It made me feel like a damned idiot," he confessed. Being an actor, he keenly felt the need for an audience, and thus — the collaborator, who would serve in the dual capacity as audience and critic. There were times when it was necessary for "the audience" to comment, "You're becoming a bit of a bore, old boy. Don't you think you're running on too much about this incident?" There were times, too, when it was necessary to go back and elaborate further on "how it all began." Sir Cedric admitted that personally, he was far less interested in how it began than how it was all going to end!

So felicitous has been the offbeat teaming of Sir Cedric with Gertrude Berg that they will continue together in a new TV series, to go before the cameras in July. This series will follow the adventures of Molly Goldberg as a college student, with Sir Cedric as her professor.

Coincidentally, this is publication date for "Molly and Me," the Gertrude Berg story written by her son, who remarked that the only difference between the fictional "Molly" and his mother Gertrude, is that "Molly is sponsored."

EXCERPTS FROM MY NOTES

Rabbi Stuart Rosenberg's report to the Zionist Club was a most disturbing account of Jewish life behind the Iron Curtain, fully documented as to facts and figures. With his own eyes and ears, Rabbi Rosenberg was able to corroborate the bits and pieces of news of Soviet policy which have filtered out to us here, with regard to the three million Jews living in Russia today.

Despite the conditions Rabbi Rosenberg found prevailing in Russia in the Jewish communities, he holds the view that we must never give up hope that one day Russian Jewry will be restored to our people, and that they continue to be "good Jews" despite their Marrano-like existence. It is important that we should be vociferous in our questioning of Soviet policy about the Jewish minority there — that when we visit Russia we ask the "right" questions, and that we do not permit the treatment of Russian Jewry to go unnoticed by the rest of the world.

One moving incident Rabbi Rosenberg mentioned concerned a basketball game held in Riga recently between the home team and the visiting Israeli team. No announcement of the game was made until one day before it took place. It was allocated to the smallest arena in Riga which could accommodate no more than 1,200 spectators. Fifteen thousand requests for tickets poured into the box-office, from towns and villages in a wide radius outside the capital. Seats sold for the equivalent in our money of $3.30 — and on the black market for approximately $33.00 — and of the 1,200 seats sold, about 1,00 were bought by Jews. Many of them were bearded Jews who had never seen a game before and probably never would again. It is not difficult to imagine the emotions they experienced, when for the first time, the Israeli flag was raised in that arena, and Hatikvah was played openly, with everyone standing at attention.

AJALON LODGE RECOGNITION NIGHT

Ajalon Lodge, which for some 32 years now has been a major well-spring of Zionist leaders in Toronto, is this year instituting a new event in its program which will take place at B'nai Israel-Beth David Synagogue on May 9. The event is called "Ajalon Recognition Night." Chosen as first honoree is Harry Zifkin, a pioneer Ajalon member.

Harry Zifkin is serving his second term as President of the Toronto Zionist Council, a body which has a record of 52 years of unbroken activity on behalf on Zionist causes. Mr. Zifkin is also a Vice-President of the Zionist Organization of Canada, Central Division, in charge of Israel Trade and Commerce Committee under whose auspices considerable progress has been made in the promotion and sale of Israel's products in Canada.

If there were a "Boost Israel Club" in Toronto, I'm sure that Harry would be the unanimous choice as president. His interest in the new State is all pervasive, even to his hobbies, for he is a renowned collector of Israeli stamps and an avid and proficient colour-slide photographer. His collection of slides taken on numerous trips to Israel is in constant demand for showing before Jewish and non-Jewish groups in Toronto as well as throughout the region. He averages, I'm told, at least 100 showings a year to enthusiastic audiences, and if that isn't "Boosting Israel," I don't know what is!

On May 9, Harry Zifkin will be presented with a scroll bearing the names of fellow-Ajalon members and friends who have planted trees in Jewish National Fund forests in Israel in his name. In contributing to the redemption, reclamation and transformation of the barren wastelands of Israel, his friends could have found no more significant and symbolic way of truly "recognizing" Harry Zifkin.

AWARD FOR ASSOCIATED HEBREW SCHOOLS

Another award in connection with the Jewish National Fund will be conferred upon the Associated Hebrew Schools of Toronto this Sunday, April 23, when for the second time since the institution of the "Degel Yerushalayim" five years ago, the Toronto school will be presented with the symbolic flag.

In Israel, the J.N.F. has for some years now been awarding the annual Degel to the school in Israel which has been outstanding in its support of the J.N.F. program. Since that time, separate flags, bearing the official coat of arms of the city of Jerusalem, have been awarded to Hebrew schools in other countries — England, Australia, South Africa, Canada, etc. It is indeed a signal honor that of all Hebrew schools across Canada the Associated Hebrew Schools of Toronto should qualify again this year for this award. Heartiest congratulations to pupils and teachers for their noteworthy contribution to the J.N.F. cause!

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Of interest to many readers will be the following honey cake recipe — a large one, to cut into some 40 servings.

- 4 eggs
- 1 cup of honey
- 1 cup sugar
- ½ cup strong black coffee
- 3 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 3½ cups sifted flour
- 1½ teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- ¼ teaspoon ground cloves
- ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
- ½ cup chopped nuts
- ½ cup chopped raisins
- ½ cup citron, finely cut
- 2 tablespoons brandy

Preheat oven to slow, 300 degrees. Line a 10 x 15 inch pan with waxed paper. Beat eggs until light. Add sugar gradually and continue beating until mixture is fluffy. Combine honey and coffee and stir into the oil. Blend with eggs and sugar.

Sift flour and measure it, then add baking powder, soda and spices, and sift again. Stir in nuts, raisins and citron and blend the whole into the egg mixture. Stir in brandy. Pour into the prepared pan. Bake for 1 hour, in a slow oven. Cool in pan, then cut in squares.

KEEP SMILING

HE SHOULD KNOW!

Four card sharps got together on a train. A tense, hard-fought game ensued. Suddenly the dealer tossed his cards down and said: 'This game is crooked.

'What makes you think so? asked the card sharp on his left.

"That guy," pointing to the player across the table, "is not playing the hand I dealt him."

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PSYCHOLOGICAL

An attractive young woman had an amazing record in the house-to-house sale of vacuum cleaners. Questioned as to her success, she confessed to an effective strategem:

'I always make it a point to address my sales talk to the husband — in tones so low that the wife won't want to miss a single word!"

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DEPENDS UPON HOW

For some reason, medical men claim that we're taller in the morning than in the evening. We've all noticed that we're shorter around the end of the month.

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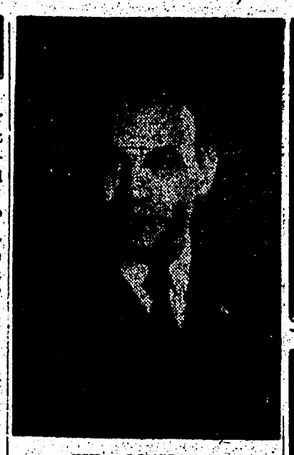
MISINTERPRETED

"I can't quite diagnose your case," said the doctor. "I think it's drink."

'All right, doctor," the patient gravely replied, "I'll come back some time when you're sober."



ZVI GINSBURG

Fete Israel Navy Aide At Reception Tuesday

A reception in honour of Lt. Commander Zvi Ginsburg of the Israeli Navy will be given by Hadassah Organization of Toronto on Tuesday, April 25, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kaufman, 7 Overdale Rd.

Lt. Commander Ginsburg is on an extended tour of Canada primarily to stimulate interest in the Henrietta Szold Scholarship Fund. Donations to the fund will enable gifted children in Israel to receive a secondary education.

ALL ALONE

By RUTHIE

Twice a year Ned's firm sends him for two months South of the Border. At the moment, he's away.

Was I glad to see him go! Comes a time, every now and then, when man and wife get on each other's nerves. Nothing serious, mind you, but a vacation apart is in order.

One day you realize that every little thing irritates you. You start for the bathroom mirror to apply your make-up and find your better half beat you to it. He's in the process of shaving. It doesn't matter that there are other mirrors hanging throughout the house. You want that particular one and he has a lot of nerve trying to "hog" it all for himself. Of course, he could think the same. That, however, is beside the point.

For years and years (you've stopped counting) you're after him to pick up the clothing he drops wherever he is. Finally you've had it. With murder in your eyes, you reach for a shoe and menacingly aim it at him. Naturally he ducks just in time. You sigh resignedly. Maybe, next time.

One evening after dinner, just when he's nicely settled in front of the TV, you decide he ought to take you to the movies. You don't wait till he is rested to approach him with the idea. When you sing, he's supposed to jump. The sequel? A "free-for-all" better than any TV serial.

Thus you can hardly wait for your spouse to embark on that all-important business trip. Will you be living then! No special dinners to prepare, you can come and go whenever you please, the mirrors are all yours, the rooms are hauntingly tidy! A MAHAYA (pleasure)!

So what happens? Already the first day you walk around the house like a sleep-walker. Something's missing. True, there's no special meal to prepare. Shopping is at a minimum. You should feel elated, but you don't. You can't annoy your girl friends. They're busy with their own tasks.

The day drags. The children are no problem. They're in school. You are tied to the house, awaiting the telephone call or cable saying he's all right.

You don't know how much you miss him until night time falls. After the kids are in bed, you realize how lonesome you are. Movies? Friends? What's it all without him? You'd give anything for a good fight to break the monotony.

You decide to turn in early for a change. Surprisingly you can't sleep. All of a sudden you're aware of sounds that never bothered you before.

The escaping air from the radiator vents startle you every five minutes. Raindrops falling on the window sills sound as though someone is trying to break into the house. A car zooming down the quiet street can wake the dead. Does your imagination run high! By morning you're a complete wreck.

If you're like me, you'll be tempted a million times a day to wire him to come home at once. You'll never incite him again. After all, how many husbands are supporting you? You'll vow never to nag him—for one day, at least!

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MISHMASH

Ten years ago when I came to Israel the first time, a woman told me she'd waited on queue two hours to get four tomatoes. Today, around the new Sheraton Tel Aviv Hotel, and in Diezengoff Sq., which seems to have as many sidewalk cafes as Paris, you can find every food imaginable. "But if you want a kosher pickle," a New York friend warned me, when I was starting on this trip, "take one with you . . ."

Max Asnas of the Stage Delicatessen had been eager to pack a big box of pastrami. But progress has come to Israel, and now it has delicatessen. Even had herring for breakfast. Lox and kosher pickles are available to tourists, as poet Robert Frost and author Harry Golden can testify from personal experience. You can't keep Israel down . . .

I even found in Tel Aviv my favourite middle-western delicacy: popcorn . . .

Sitting around the Cafe Noga, an open-air Lindy's, the comedians quote a line used by Leo Fuld at the Cafe Sahbra: "The food's become so good in Israel, we should send food packages to America . . ."

Perhaps one little boy we saw back in those hard, hard times is now the famous Jitzchakie, "the Israeli Elvis Presley," or, as the American comedians say when they come here, "the Israeli Elvis Pretzel . . ."

A Jewish cowboy singer at the Omar Khayam Cafe told how the American cowboys sing very softly, but that Jewish cowboys sing loudly and sweetly.

"We hope that our loud and sweet songs will cause the cows in Jordan to cross the border into Israel," he jokingly explained, "because while we have plenty of cowboys in Israel, we don't have plenty of cows . . ."

Paula Ben Gurion, the former Brooklyn and Newark nurse who became the Prime Minister's wife, is the subject of many pleasant anecdotes.

Once she went to the front door of their home and told the Army guard stationed there he must go and buy her some bread. She was still in pajamas.

The guard objected that he couldn't leave his post.

"I'll guard the house," she retorted and, taking his rifle from him, guarded her own house till he brought back the bread . . .

There's a Samson's Inn in the Samson and Delilah country on the road to Jerusalem, and there it was suggested that a good name for a barber shop would be The Delilah . . .

Earl Wilson in the New York Post.

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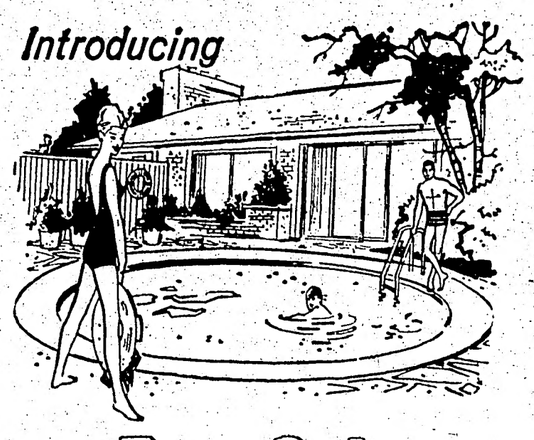

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A native of Toronto, Mrs. Cooper graduated in Arts from the University of Toronto and did post-graduate study in psychology.

LEADERSHIP POSTS

Many facets of community work, locally and nationally, have benefited from her energetic participation. She was membership chairman for Council of Jewish Women (Toronto section). She is a past president of Goel Tzedec Sisterhood and a member of the Board of Beth Tzedec Sisterhood.

As Chairman of Leadership Training for the Hadassah Organization of Canada, she travelled from coast to coast conducting Leadership Institutes in numerous communities throughout Canada and has compiled a series of brochures on the subject of Leadership Development which have been extensively used by women's groups.

For eight years Esther Cooper served as Chairman of Education for Toronto Hadassah and is presently an Officer of the National Organization and a member of the Zionist Organization of Canada.

FIRST WOMAN ON C.J.C. EXECUTIVE

When the Federation of Jewish Women's Organization was formed in Toronto, Mrs. Cooper was elected Chairman of the Leadership Development Comittee.

She has the distinction of being the first woman to have been appointed to the National Executive of Canadian Jewish Congress, and is a member of Administrative Board of Central Region and of Joint Public Relations Committee of Congress and B'nai B'rith.

She is also the Chairman of the recently organized Congress Community Lecture Bureau, a programme service which has made 150 speakers available to communities throughout the Province.

DYNAMIC PERSONALITY

The last convention of the Canadian Association for Adult Education elected Mrs. Cooper to its National Executive.

Esther Cooper brings to her new career her capacity for thorough organization and meticulous planning. Her associates speak of her as a dynamic personality who applies herself enthusiastically to whatever work she undertakes.

She looks forward to her new position as a challenging opportunity to explore new frontiers in the world of travel and will apply her natural drive and talent for organization to her professional career.

PROFESSOR HEADS AFRICAN STUDENT FOUNDATION

Professor Ronald Cohen of University of Toronto is chairman of African Student Foundation which sponsored a banquet held on April 13, and which had as principal speaker **Mr. Tom Mboya**, Secretary-General of the Kenya National Union Party.

RABBI WURZBURGER ADDRESSES RABBINICAL CONVENTION

Rabbi Walter Wurzburger, of **Shaarei Shomayim Congregation** who is the only Canadian officer of Rabbinical Council of America, addressed the April 18 session of the Council's Convention in Atlantic City. Subject of Rabbi Wurzburger's address was "Halacha and the Standardization of Religious Ceremonies."

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The Woman And The Home

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By ESTHER ZELDIN

Mrs. Bert Godfrey opened her Rosemary Lane home on Thursday, April 20, to a reception sponsored by **Women's Division of United Jewish Appeal**, in honour of **Mrs. Gertrude Berg**, star of "A Majority of One".

Present were six of Canada's foremost artists who presented the guests with an original sketch of themselves. They were: **Eve Gossage, Gershon Iskowitz, Phyllis Janes, Ronald Satok, Jean Townsend and William Winter.**

• **Mrs. Abe Posluns**, 87 Old Forest Hill Rd., entertained at luncheon on Wednesday, April 12, to launch the sale of tickets for third annual theatre night of **Women's Auxiliary of Jewish Home for the Aged** on June 4 at O'Keefe Centre.

Mrs. Samuel Gans and **Mrs. Morris Zweig** are co-chairmen of the theatre project.

• A reception in honour of **Mrs. Reuben Brown**, retiring president of **Women's Auxiliary, New Mount Sinai Hospital**, was held at the Briar Hill Ave., home of **Mrs. Sidney S. Schipper**, chairman of the program committee. **Mrs. Brown** has been president of the auxiliary for the past three years.

Those present included: **Mrs. Reuben Brown, Mrs. Sidney S. Schipper, Mrs. Leon Arthurs, Mrs. M. K. Bochner, Mrs. Howard Fisher, Mrs. Frank Godfrey, Mrs. Gershon Gordon, Mrs. Arthur Hutner, Mrs. Bernard Ludwig, Mrs. E. I. Shapiro, Mrs. Harry Silverstein, Mrs. David Sweet** and **Mrs. H. M. Tobe.**

• Members of **Holy Blossom Sisterhood** met on Tuesday, April 11, at the monthly luncheon meeting. Highlight of the afternoon was "A Grand Slam In Ethics," written by **Morley Pape**, directed by **Mrs. Larry Labow** and co-ordinated by **Mrs. Howard Fisher.**

Mrs. Ben Rosenberg was chairman of the meeting.

• **Laszlo Denes**, noted Hungarian photographer and winner of 5 international awards, now residing in Toronto, will display 40 photographic studies from his forthcoming book "Nine Faces of Israel" at the annual **Cradle Service Group Tea**, on Thursday, April 27, at the home of **Mrs. Simon Gottlieb**, Ridge Hill Dr.

Conveners are **Mrs. Harry Stone, Mrs. Harry Walker** and **Mrs. S. Kaufman.**

• Among those who attended the opening of **Gershon Iskowitz** art exhibit at the Y.M.H.A. on Sunday, April 9, were: **Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gelber, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Godfrey, Mrs. Harry Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wise, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sumberg, Mrs. Morris Shugar, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kellerman, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stein, Mr. Murray Koffler, Mrs. Tutzi Haspel Seguin** and **Mr. Kazuo Nakamura.**

• A Theatre Tea was held by **Rishon Chapter, Hadassah**, on Thursday, April 20, at the home of **Mrs. Gabriel Alter**, 48 Heathdale Rd.

Conveners were: **Mrs. P. Lampert, Mrs. I. Sholchet, Mrs. L. Harnick**, and **Mrs. F. Ekler.**

• An address in tribute to Israel was delivered by **Mrs. Margot Shachter**, guest speaker at **Shaarei Shomayim Sisterhood's** luncheon-meeting on Tuesday, April 11, in social hall of the Synagogue.

Headtable guests were: **Mrs. Walter S. Wurzburger, Mrs. Ted Waldman, Mrs. Nathan Adler, Mrs. Joseph Fleischman, Mrs. Sol Swartz, Mrs. Sol Spring, Mrs. Bert Halbert** and **Mrs. Margot Shachter.**

• A preview of summer fashions, courtesy of **Mary Korolnik**, will be shown on Sunday, April 23, at the **Torah Emeth Jewish Centre Sisterhood's Tea** at 1 Viewmount Ave.

On the receiving line will be **Mrs. D. Ochs, Mrs. M. Ochs, Mrs. H. Botnick** and **Mrs. H. Wolfe.**

Mrs. W. Langer is chairman of the convenor committee.

• On Thursday, April 13, a Theatre Night presentation of "Exodus" was sponsored by **Study and Service Group** and **Evening Study Group of National Council of Jewish Women.**

• 'Fantasy of Summer Fashions," a tea and fashion show, was presented by the **Clanton Park Sisterhood** on Tuesday, April 11, at the Synagogue.

Fine gold jewellery, courtesy of **Mr. M. Hoffman**, was on display. A diamond drop-pendant, donated by Mr. Hoffman, was won by **Mrs. S. Wolfe.**

Following the fashion show, the guests toured the new building which houses the sanctuary.

Conveners were **Mrs. L. Wolfson, Mrs. N. Kanner** and **Mrs. S. Dennis.**

• **Queen City Chapter, B'nai B'rith** held a cocktail party on Wednesday, April 12, at 2941 Bathurst St.

• **Mrs. I. Karp**, 18 Claxton Blvd., opened her home on Sunday, April 9th, to members and guests of **Achdut Club, Pioneer Women's** Annual Tea.

Conveners were **Mrs. Silverman, Mrs. Einstadt, Mrs. Leiberman** and **Mrs. Bograd.**

• More than 250 guests attended **Adath Israel Sisterhood's** Donor Dinner on Tuesday, April 11, in Alex Tobias Social Hall of the Synagogue.

Mrs. Sydney Silverman, donor convener, was chairman of the dinner. Guest of honour was **Mrs. B. Epstein**, past president of **Ontario Branch of National Women's League.**

The program featured a satirical skit written and directed by **Mrs. B. Abbott** and **Mrs. H. Pollack.**

Headtable guests were **Rabbi** and **Mrs. E. Schild, Mr. and Mrs. J. Grossman, Mr. and Mrs. David Silverman, Mr. and Mrs. Sydeny Silverman, Cantor** and **Mrs. M. Nixon** and **Mrs. B. Epstein.**

• **Jaffa Chapter** of **Toronto Women's ORT** held a dessert luncheon on Wednesday, April 12, at the home of **Mrs. Jenny Singer**, 8 Ridge Hill Dr.

Mrs. Sam Stone was convenor.

Assisting at the tea table were: **Mrs. A.B. Bennett, Mrs. H. Perry, Mrs. David Monson, Mrs. L. Shankman, Mrs. S. Bland, Mrs. J. Levine, Mrs. L. Soupcoff** and **Mrs. A. Wasserman.**

• **Mrs. Abe Granatstein** was elected president of **Beth Sholom Sisterhood** at the Monday, April 10 Sisterhood meeting. Others on the executive are: **Mrs. S. Yarmouth, Mrs. M. Waylen** and **Mrs. J. Underman**, vice-presidents; **Mrs. M. Daniels**, recording secretary; **Mrs. W. Winbaum**, corresponding secretary; **Mrs. W. Feldman**, administrative secretary; **Mrs. A. Freedman**, dues treasurer; **Mrs. J. Swadron**, financial treasurer; **Mrs. W. Mandel**, controller.

MRS. BELLA DWOR

Mourn Pioneer Mrs. Bella Dwor Of Pt. Colborne

PORT COLBORNE (CJN) — The death occurred here last week at the home of her son, Richard E. Dwor, of Mrs. Bella Dwor, widow of Max Dwor, in her 94th year. The late Mrs. Dwor and her husband, who predeceased her in 1932, were among the founders of the Port Colborne community, and the Agudath Achim Synagogue which building was formerly the Dwor residence, was the centre of religious life of the community.

Mrs. Dwor who was born in Abelia, Latvia, came to Canada in 1909 and resided in Hamilton and Niagara Falls before making her home in Port Colborne 45 years ago She was a life member of the Hadassah Organization of Canada, a member of Agudath Achim Synagogue, one of the founders of Port Colborne Hebrew Ladies Aid and a member of the Toronto Jewish Home for the Aged.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Clare Cohen of Port Colborne, and three sons: Ben Devor of St. Catharines, William Devor, New York, and Richard E. Dwor, Port Colborne.

In Our Town And Elsewhere

ANNUAL THEATRE NIGHT FOR BAYCREST HOME FOR THE AGED

A ticket-launching luncheon for the third annual theatre night of **Women's Auxiliary of Jewish Home for the Aged and Baycrest Hospital** was an event of April 12, held at the home of **Mrs. Abe Posluns. Mrs. Arthur Soles, Auxiliary** President, was assisted in receiving the guests by **Mrs. Samuel Gans** and **Mrs. Morris Zweig.**

TORAH TOUR ADDRESS BY MEYER GASNER IN DETROIT

Under the joint auspices of Rabbinical Council of America and Union of Orthodox Hebrew Congregations, a meeting was held in Detroit on April 11 which convened representatives of synagogues in Detroit and Windsor. The meeting was addressed on the subject of the 'Torah Tour" by **Rabbi Wurzburger** and **Mr. Meyer W. Gasner** of Shaarei Shomayim Congregation, Toronto.

PARTICIPATE IN LIBERAL WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

Mrs. Vernon Singer and **Mrs. Philip Givens** were among those officiating at the coffee party on April 13 following the annual meeting of **Ontario Women's Liberal Association** held at Royal York Hotel.

TEMPLE BREAKFAST CLUB TO HEAR DR. FACKENHEIM

Guest speaker at the closing meeting of **Holy Blossom Temple Breakfast Club** will be **Dr. Emil Fackenheim**, whose topic will be "The Faith of Our Fathers — Its Message to a World in Turmoil." **Mr. Maurice E. Stark** will be chairman of the meeting, scheduled for April 30.

Rabbi Shamai Kanter, spiritual leader of **Beth Am**, Downsview, will be among the 600 members of Rabbinical Assembly of America to attend the 61st annual convention of the national rabbinical body which will be held at Concord Hotel, Kiamesha Lake, New York, from April 23 through April 27.

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Delegates, Alternates and Members of **Toronto Section of National Council of Jewish Women** will be in Toronto May 27-June 1 for 11th National Biennial Convention to be held at King Edward-Sheraton Hotel.

The unveiling of the monument for the late **Harry Harris**, founder and director of the **"Harry Harris Jewish Hour,"** will take place this Sunday, April 23, 12.30 p.m., at Mount Sinai Memorial Park Cemetery, Farband Labour Zionist Section. Cars will be leaving at 12.15 noon from 14 Viewmount Avenue, the Farband Organization offices.

Relatives, friends and all members of organizations that the late **Harry Harris** belonged to are cordially invited to come pay their last respects

BOOKS AND MEN

By ELAINE NEWTON

EZRA POUND - ENIGMA UNSOLVED

Ezra Pound. By Charles Norman; Brett-Macmillan, 466 pages, $6.95.

It is impossible to view the poetry of Ezra Pound objectively on merit alone. For, the image of the half-mad, Facist anti-Semite keeps intruding - a picture of the self-exiled Pound ranting his treasonous tirades against capitalism, international banks and above all the Jews and "their man Roosevelt". Ezra Pound, surely America's foremost living poet remains the problem child of modern literary circles, the bone-in-the-throat of contemporary critics.

Charles Norman, author of most comprehensive biographies on E.e. Cummings, and Christopher Marlowe, has not allowed this controversy to interfere with his task. His long and thorough profile, "Ezra Pound," compiled from a myriad of letters, remembered anecdotes and semi-legends, is candid and scrupulously fair to the 75-year old poet. In fact, one might wish that author Norman had been less exhaustive an dmore colorful, less kaleidoscopic and more even in his portrait.

Pound was born in Idaho in 1885 and received his M.A. from the University of Pennsylvania. He is remembered as a good student, rather aloof from his peers who was determined at an early age to emulate his idol William Butler Yeats. In 1907, after a brief try at instructing college French and Spanish, he left the United States and settled in London. There, bursting with an astonishing and original talent, he was soon hailed as a young genius by the poetic greats of the day. Personae, published in 1909, established his reputation and men like Yeats and Ford Madox Ford were influenced to adopt a more stark, modern style because of him.

Once his poetic skill was widely acknowledged, Pound began acting as literary impressario for the verse of other young artists. Under his encouragement and protection, T.S. Eliot bloomed. It was Pound who forced Eliot's now famous Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock into print, who edited the monumental Waste Land and who, penniless himself, organized financial support for his talented friend. After the first war, Hemingway, Cummings and a host of young literary expatriots flocked around him for help, education and example. And even in the 1930s, although showing signs of increasing eccentricity and instability, Pound was still mentor and model for poets like Auden and Tate. All the while he was creating, inovating and adding piece by piece to his major effort, Cantos.

From here on, Norman presents a meticulously documented account of Pound's infatuation with the Mussolini state, his broadcasts from Rome during world war II, his imprisonment at Pisa (by the US army) and then his trial in Washington and committment to St. Elizabeth's Mental Hospital. It is most ironic that the man whose personal genius guided three successive generationsof writers should have climaxed his life ignominiously. And it is difficult to imagine the same man who wrote "Woe to them that conquer with armies - and whose only right is their power" (Canto 76) could also mouth the furious blasts against hi sown country, its leaders and the Jewish People, terming Hitler "a Jeanne d'Arc, a martyr, a saint" an dRoosevelt "a criminal whose mental condition is not desirable in a man of his position."

Norman handles this touchy situation admirably. He is factual and unbiased, Moreover he remains always mindful of Pound's mental state, his enormous vanity an dthe weight of loyalty dispayed by men like Eliot all during Pound's worst years.

Those who chose to write Ezra Pound off as finished, an old, sick man caged unproductively in an asylum for the rest of his years did not reckon with the fortitude of the poet. Released in 1958, he returned to Italy, where he has recently published Canto III, and seems likely to achieve his dream of completing 120 of these eloquent chants.

The question of Pound's place in American literature hinges on this: Will Pound, the economic crank, the raving anti-Semite, the traitor be allowed to obscure Pound, the metric genius, the warm-hearted friend, the gifted troubadour. Certainly no one can deny the power and beauty of Pound's masterwork Cantos. Nor ca nwe sweep aside the tremendous influence of his hyper-ironic language patterns an dhis rythmic innovations on generations of poets from Eliot to our modern-day beatniks. Says biographer Norman: "What was noble in his nature will not be forgotten; what is truly great in his work will surely endure."

THE COLOMBYS ON THE GO...

Mr. and Mrs. J. Colomby of the OLARA COLOMBY TRAVEL SERVICE have recently returned from a trip to Jamaica, Nassau and Miami Beach, Florida. They are now preparing for their trip to Israel and to Europe, where Mrs. Colomby is looking forward to revisiting the lovely places she had been to last year.

Murray (Mickey) Colomby has also returned from Israel, bringing back with him some beautiful and interesting pictures in technicolor to add to his collection of lovely pictures he had brought back from his latest jaunt to Mexico.

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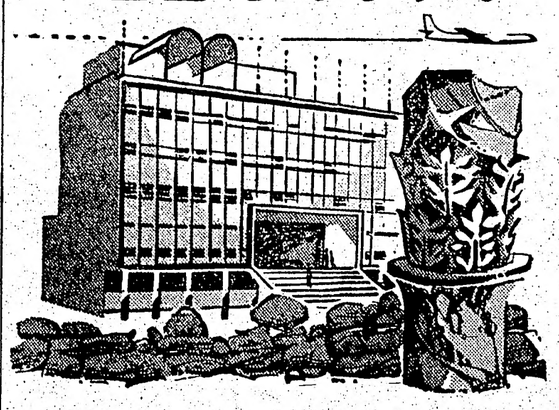

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The writers and composers have included many of the country's brightest talents — Wayne and Shuster, Pierre Berton, Tommy Tweed, Allan Manings, Ray Jessel, Marian Grudeff, Lucio Agostini, Frank Tumpane, Godfrey Ridout, for example. For one edition the world-famous comedienne Anna Russell appeared and wrote and composed a large porportion of the material.

Thaw '61 opened March 29 and has already set an new attendance record at Crest Theatre. Now in its third week, over 10,000 have attended Mavor Moore's sensational spring satire. Most of the evening performances have been sold out and the early shows have rapidly gained in attendance. To insure good seating, as many have been turned away, we advise you to send in your mail orders early. They are now being accepted up to May 13.

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CELEB HI-LITES

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Our heroine, Maria (Florence Henderson), is a very beautiful postulant at Nonnberg Abbey. However, her inclinations, at times, are very much of this world. The Mother Abess (Beatrice Krebs) realizes this. Wisely she prevails upon Maria to "go out into the world" once more before she is absolutely certain about relinquishing all worldly ways.

As a governess in the home of Captain Von Trapp (John Myhers), Maria finds happiness in caring for seven beautiful children.

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Listening to Beatrice Krebs' mezzo-contralto is sheer joy. Whatever she sings she brings up to operatic level. Her diction is perfect (as is everyone else's) and I wish there had been more of her.

John Myhers' fine, rich baritone complements Miss Henderson's soprano beautifully.

CHILDREN LAUDED

One cannot rave enough about the seven children, ranging in age from seven to sixteen. They are the cutest little devils. And how they sing "So Long, Farewell"!

Particular mention must be made of Max (Jack Collins), family friend. An impressario, it is he who adds the light touches to some heavy scenes.

As for Elsa Schraeder (Lynn Brinker)—she makes very fine competition for the captain's hand.

The scenery, for which Oliver Smith is responsible, is beautiful. Each tableau is breathtaking. The golden gates of the abbey in contrast to the stark black garb of the Sisters is sharp; the background of green hills conveys a feeling of serenity; the wedding procession is a riot of color.

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Goldmann Won't Be An Israeli

NEW YORK, (JCNS) — It is reported here in high Jewish Agency circles that while Dr. Nahum Goldmann has not indicated publicly his decision whether to accept the leadership of the new Liberal Party in Israel and to become an Israeli citizen, he has decided to remain in America.

The reasons for his reported decision are manifold. He is said to have weighed the possibilities of the new party's success at the forthcoming elections and has come to the conclusion that it does not have the possibility of becoming the majority party at this time. Therefore it will not get the mandate to form a government.

HIGHEST POSTS 'OUT'

This it is felt, will disbar him from either of the two highest posts in the Israeli government — the Prime Ministership and the office of Foreign Minister. He is believed to be disinterested in a lesser cabinet post.

Also, his adoption of Israeli citizenship would mean his resignation of the Presidency of World Zionist Organisation. It could also end his usefulness as President of World Jewish Congress.

Dr. Goldmann is reported to believe that whereas he can deal with all Jewish communities as an American citizen, and, in effect, a citizen of the world, his efforts would be circumscribed considerably in some cases, especially in delicate negotiations or contacts with Jewish communities in the Soviet bloc, if he were to become an Israeli citizen.

General Zionists Planning Merger With Rival Group

NEW YORK, (JCNS) — Dr. Emanuel Neumann, President of World Confederation of General Zionists, is planning a merger with rival Confederation led by Mrs. Rose Halprin and Dr. Israel Goldstein. Dr. Neumann is to place the merger question at the top of the agenda of the executive Committee meeting of his group in Jerusalem on April 25.

"I have reason to believe that my Confederation will support my ideas of amalgamation", he stated. "Whether the others are ready I cannot say.

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and Samuel J. Sable, and special commendation goes to John D. Fienberg for his vigorous leadership, Mr. Tanenbaum announced.

LEADERS HARD AT IT

Efforts to parallel the big push at the top have been sparked throughout the UJA by Divisional and Group chairmen. Murray Goldman and Harold Green of the Construction Division led a one-day blitz involving 25 Division workers. They covered 19 cards between them. Total pledges for the day's work amounted to $ 0.000 with 105 cards covered.

Outstanding in the Women's Apparel Division is the Furrier's Group who have already surpassed last year's campaign total by 12 per cent with pledges still coming in. All other groups in the Division report good progress. Only 150 cards out of the initial 600 remain to be covered.

Leading workers of the Division are Irving Berger for the Furrier's; Victor Giblon, Dress Manufacturer's; Carlyle Krieger and Sam Sterling of the Accessories Group.

Star canvasser Louis H. Taube, of Dress Agents and Garment Salesmen, turned in a record coverage of 50 pledge cards and Jack Ladovsky of the Cloaks groups and Leonard Simpson and Al Mandel of the Shoe Group have done outstanding work. Knitters, Hosiery and Underwear Group, under the leadership of Oscar Shainhouse, have exceeded last year's total and a new record for the Group seems in the making.

Jeweller's Group has taken a highly organized team approach with regular meetings being held throughout the entire campaign. Team members are Mark Gross, Irving and Nat Hennick, Harry Kash, Louis Libman and Bernard Sussman.

Automotive Group, with a hard driving spearhead consisting of Leon Gasner, Mark A. Levy, Mark Spyer and Abe Woolf, have brought the group within reach of last year's total. They are almost certainly expected to set a new record this year.

This week the Barristers took a full day off to blitz all outstanding cards. Pledges are running 8 per cent ahead of 1960 with a small number yet to be covered. Doing a fine job are Don Carr, Jack Friedman, Sam Kelner and Dick Shiff.

Excellent work is being done by Harry Weiner of Furniture Group; Karl Bald, Ben Casselman, Morley Pape and Ben Wilson of Hardware, Housewares and Toys; Fred Bookman of Insurance Group.

Accountant's Group is reaching for a new record this year with a whopping 12 per cent increase over last year with few cards still outstanding. Barry Caplan, Ralph Fisher, Harry Giddens, Bernard Kurtz and Shael Sone are the Group stars.

Archie Sopman is setting a hard-to-beat pace with 75 cards covered and he and Ben Winbaum have done a magnificent job with the Foods and services Division.

George Altman has done a really spectacular job for Film Group.

Heavy Industry Division under Louis Lockshin has completed all cards with a substantial increase over the 1960 total.

TRIAL

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raeli citizens, by saying that any judge was flesh and blood and had human emotions, and would feel abhorrence in relation to crimes of murder and treason. But the law demanded that a judge restrain and control his feelings, otherwise none would be fit to sit in judgment.

The court's competence lay in the Law for the Punishment of Nazis and Their Collaborators, and being competent the court was not according to law required to go into the manner in which the accused was brought to court.

No great orator, Israel's Attorney — General nevertheless spoke with emotion. His thin voice rose and fell, and more than once he turned as if speaking directly to the accused rather than to the judges.

Behind him the hall was almost full, yet there was absolute silence except for a deep sigh heard now and then even among the hard-boiled journalists as the events which form the background of this trial took shape.

Murder is no novel phenomenon since Cain killed Abel, Hausner stated, but we had to wait until the twentieth century to witness with our own eyes a new kind of murder, not the result of a momentary passion or a darkening soul but of a calculated decision and painstaking planning.

Here and again he pointed at the prisoner — appears a new kind of killer, the kind that exercises his bloody craft behind a desk. He was the man who planned, initiated and organized and who instructed to spill an ocean of blood.

Eichmann dealt only with Jewish matters, Hausner said. He was being charged with crimes against non-Jews also, "because we make no ethnic distinctions".

But they should remember that the mission of the accused, "in which for years he saw his destiny and calling and to which he devoted himself with enthusiasm and zeal, was the extermination of the Jews".

Only the muffled footsteps of agency correspondents rushing to send off their flash news mars the stillness in the court: Eichmann now and again bites his lips, now and again makes a note, but he does not appear unduly perturbed at hearing the dreadful tale. He looks as if the story is old to him.

MEYER LEVIN

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On both sides of the operating stage, long-lens cameras record every step of the delicate procedure, while television cameras operate continuously from behind discreet peepholes, and tape recorders, microphones and other devices abound.

In place of the attendant nurses, severely formal guards attend the isolated subject.

Addressing each other as "doctor," Dr. Hausner, Dr. Servatius, the lawyersurgeons proceed. Their carefully calm voices, the rebuke for an occasional snicker from the hall; the solemn tension, all bespeak a momentous task. And what is transpiring is indeed or should be, an epic post-mortem, a search for the cause of six million deaths.

'FACELESSNESS' befits this kind of trial

The much-remarked facelessness of the subject indeed befits this process, for the "lack of personality," the "typicalty" of Eichmann lends itself to the view that it is not individual vengeance that is being enacted here, but a dissection of a deep social ill.

Perhaps the Eichmann trial should proceed as a psychiatric exploration of the human murder—potential, instead of by legalistic points—can the subject be tried even though he was kidnapped, can the doctors operate even though the disease took effect in a different land?

Yet these preliminaries will isolate the field for the operation in depth. Law is the embodiment of the common psyche, made up of morals, customs, actions which stem from human character.

Under the facelessness of Eichmann, what will be found? The television cameras explore his eyes, flat and already deathlike. Is it his own death one sees in them, or the accumulation of death that he looked upon, through gas-chamber peep-holes, or even on bits of paper to which he affixed his singnature? Half a million Hungarian Jews, 55.000 Jews in Byelo Russia, here a few hundred, there a few million, Belzes, Aushwitz, Sobibor, Treblinka, it takes an hour to list it all.

'WHEN WILL THEY ... HANG HIM?'

Carloads of parts of human bodies and effects, gold teeth, human hair, 836,255 women's dressess.... All is impersonal, says the cult of our time. And Eichmann, most agree, cannot realistically be punished since there is no punishment to fit such massive crimes.

Behind this trial, then, is the tormenting question of free will.

Yet there are some who retain personal feelings toward this symbol of impersonality. In a home for juvenile delinquents, I am told by reporter Paul Jacobs, who has made a quick sortie, the adolescents cluster around the radio, terribly excited. "When will they finish talking, and hang him!" the delinquents cry.

And coming up from Tel Aviv, discussing the chances for assassination of Eichmann, I heard a charming young mother in our car say, "I would be willing to kill him." She is a warmhearted, sensitive girl, with greenish numerals tatooed on her arm, and she had just emerged from several weeks in a hospital, where she has to go, frequently, as a result of her years in Teressienstadh, Auschwitz, Bergen Belsen.

Chava married a young American who was a seaman on the Hagana's illegal immigrant ships; today she was bringing to Jerusalem an early copy of a novel, "Tell Me Another Morning," by her Bergen Belsen bunker-mate, Zdena Berger, who now lives in San Francisco. Chava was taking the book to the third girl on their tiny group, Ina Weiss, with whom she was working on their annual meeting of Bergen Belsen survivors.

Already, before the luncheon recess, the trial had become a ritual. Every trial, a noted lawyer once told me, is a kind of formal ballet, with delicately balanced moves and countermoves. At luncheon I met Chava and Murray again; Murray hadn't been able to conduct any on his conferences on immigration from America because all government officials were listening to the broadcast of the trial. And Chava and her friend Ina had spent the morning with the radio, too. Of course they couldn't get into the trial itself — as did some tourists — but it was really not for such as Chava and Ina, they had nothing to learn.

During the recess, we hurried over to Yad Vashem, to the memorial structure, just ready for opening. Our friend, Jerusalem-born Lilick Shatz, son of the founder of the Bezalet art school, was completing the massive iron gate for the memorial building. Automatically, we slowed our steps before the black lightnings of his portal. "The entry to hell", Chava whispered.

The building itself was of huge, archaic boulders, topped by a vast, heavy layer of bare concrete. The very stones seemed to speak, with the voice of the prophets.

We stepped inside, and saw on the floor area the graven names we have just heard in the courtroom, Maidanek, Ravensbrook, Auschwitz, Bergen Belsen.

Will humanity learn, this time? Is it possible that between these two epic events in Jerusalem, the trial, and the memorial, people will learn?

We looked around for Chava. We found her outside, far away toward the edge of the memorial plaza, facing our ancient hills, weeping.

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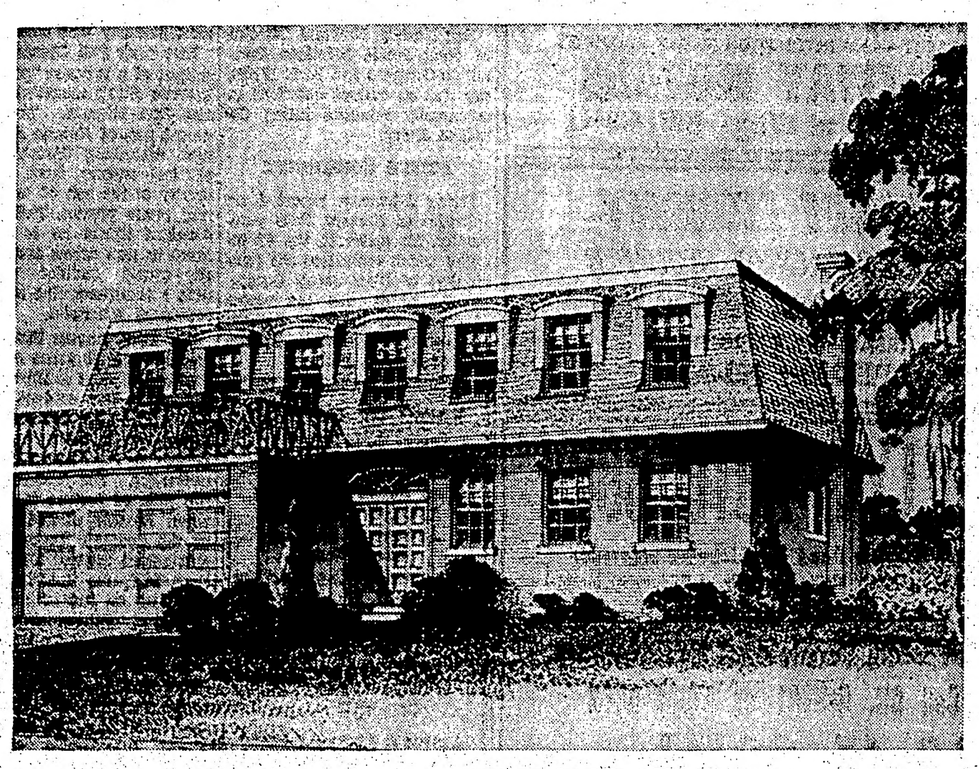

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Shown at the tri-city Jewish Communities Assembly in Welland on April 9, with Meyer W. Gasner, Chairman of Central Region, Canadian Jewish Congress (centre), are from left: Irving Ackerman of Niagara Falls; Bernard Ennis, President Welland Hebrew Congregation; Dr. Julius Ennis, Program Chairman for Welland community, and Sam Rudolph, President, Port Colborne Jewish community.

3 Centres Hold Lively 'Assembly'

A three-city Community Assembly was held in the Welland Jewish Centre on Sunday, April 9th. The attendance — more than 50 persons — was drawn from the communities of Welland, Niagara Falls and Port Colborne.

Prior to the meeting, a reception was held for the guest speaker, Meyer W. Gasner, Chairman of Central Region, Canadian Jewish Congress, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. Ennis. Among those representing the three communities at the reception were Mr. and Mrs. Irving Ackerman of Niagara Falls; Sam Rudolph, president of Agudath Achim Congregation of Port Colborne, and Mr. Alex Rossman; Dr. and Mrs. H. O. Singer, of Welland, Bernard Ennis, president of Welland Hebrew Congregation, and Mrs. Ennis; Harry Carrel, chairman of Welland U.J.A. campaign.

WIDER HORIZONS'

Mr. Gasner addressed the gathering on "Wider Horizons in Community Thinking". He referred to a previous visit on the occasion of the dedication of the new synagogue building in 1954, and expressed his great pleasure at being back. He hoped that any message he might bring would in some measure aid the community in their constant efforts to maintain and build up the community as a whole.

His recent visits to a number of the smaller communities in the Ontario Region had given him a close understanding of the problems relating to communities small in number and physically at a distance from the mainstream of Jewish life, he said. These factors made it all the more imperative for an intimate and close relationship between communities to be upheld.

Ben Kayfetz, National Director of Joint Public Relations Committee Congress and B'nai B'rith, reported on current questions in community relations facing Canadian Jewry.

ACTIVE COMMUNITY

Irving Ackerman reported on activities of Niagara Falls community. He spoke of the 65 families which comprised the community; of B'nai Jacob Congregation, which was the centre of community activities through the constituted Jewish Federation of Niagara Falls.

Also pictured at the Communities Assembly in Welland on April 9 are, from left: Mrs. Irving Ackerman, Niagara Falls; Dr. H. O. Singer, Welland, and Mrs. Julius Ennis.

INSIDE TORONTO

By BEN NOBLEMAN

GIVENS IN THE NEWS

Controller Phil Givens, Toronto's first Jewish controller in 30 years, seems to have a knack for making the headlines. One of the chief reasons Givens as an underdog candidate was able to defeat favoured ex-Ald. Herbert Orliffe for the fourth and last Board of Control seat was his capacity for making the headlines during his nine years as alderman for Ward 5.

Orliffe had the support of all three Toronto daily newspapers plus the endorsement of the trade unions and lost out to Givens by 1,500 votes chiefy because Phil was more colourful and flamboyant. Of the two Orliffe was the quieter, more modest and perhaps better-liked in many circles. But in politics it is the candidate who makes the news regularly and who gets the most publicity who usually wins.

Last week Phil Givens was the subject of a two-part "profile" by Toronto Star's municipal columnist Ron Haggart. The stories were a sort of Horatio Alger feature, describing Givens' rise to political success from the obscurity of the son of an immigrant pants presser. Phil's young daughter thinks he is rich because he now drives around in a city-owned Cadillac complete with a chauffeur. She cannot be convinced otherwise.

We have known Phil Givens for the past 20 years since our high school days at Harbord Collegiate. It was evident that he was destined for big things then for he was a leading orator and debater at high school and later university. His first entry into the field of politics was in 1948 when he was elected secretary of the Spadina Young Liberals and helped Senator David Croll, then M.P. for Spadina Riding. We were on the executive with Phil and Vernon Singer, now M.P.P. for York Centre.

In 1949 and 1950 Givens ran unsuccessfully for Board of Education in Ward 5. It was his first political effort and he obtained considerable experience in campaign techniques. In 1951 both aldermanic seats became vacant as the sitting aldermen Joseph Gould and Arthur Frost decided to run in the provincial elections.

This was Phil Givens' golden opportunity and he grabbed hold with both hands. Opposing him were two strong men in Trustee Harold Menzies and Ernest Bogart. We recall one Sunday morning a phone call from Phil complaining his campaign was going a bit slow and saying he wanted Joe Gould to nominate him. We called both Gould and Lionel Conacher, then M.P. for Trinity Riding. They threw their strength behind Givens and both Phil and Bogart were elected. From then on there was no stopping Givens in Ward 5 where he topped the poll and served on Metropolitan Council.

However, all politicians have their failures and Phil Givens is no exception. When Lionel Conacher died in 1954 Phil wanted to be the official Liberal candidate to replace the popular Big Train. The downtown Liberal bigwigs had other plans and they imported lawyer Donald Carrick, the personal choice of Hon. C. D. Howe, then Minister of Trade and Commerce. Carrick was scheduled to become Toronto's first Cabinet Minister in 20 years but this never came about. Phil's other federal ambitions were spiked when he twice failed to defeat Charles Rea, M.P. for Spadina. There was talk of Givens running provincially in Bracondale Riding two years ago but he decided to stay in the civic arena, a wise decision in view of recent developments.

Becoming a Controller seems to have temporarily tamed Givens and tempered his frequent outbursts. He has become more subdued and restrained but this could be due to the fact the job is new to him and he is feeling his way at present. Knowing Phil, it is impossible to believe that he will remain a conservative, status-quo type of controller.

In 1962 Givens may move up a notch on Board of Control as both Controllers Summerville and Allen are slated to contest the Mayor's chair.

TORONTO GIRL PRODUCES MOVIE

It is a far cry from Clinton Street Public School in Toronto to Hollywood actress and movie producer in London, England. But this has been achieved by Toronto-born Helen Winston, nee Helen Weinstock, a former student at Clinton and Harbord Collegiate. We recall Helen when she acted in Harbord operas with Evelyn Gould.

After leaving Harbord in the late 1940's she enrolled in Lorne Greene's Academy of Radio Arts and acted in CBC radio dramas. But Helen became restless and about 1950 she decided to try her luck in Hollywood.

At first things were very bleak and Helen had a variety of jobs — waitress, secretary, cashier in a supermarket, receptionist and finally bit actress in movies. Her best part was in the film Botany Bay starring Alan Ladd where she had all her hair shaved off and was the recipient of nationwide publicity.

She then turned her hand to producing TV films and it was here that the turning point in her career began. She ran across a touching story about two small children of different faiths and felt it would make a good motion picture. She hounded dozens of movie producers to no avail. Finally in 1959 she went to England to try her luck there. She contacted Associated British Pictures who offered to put up 50 per cent of the required money if she raised the rest — a mere $100,000. This did not deter Helen Winston who managed to borrow the money and began production on the film called "Hand In Hand" last year.

Last February Columbia Pictures released the movie in the United States and it will open in Toronto next month at the Capitol Theatre in Yonge St. The film, directed by Philip Leacock who directed The Little Kidnappers, tells the story of two children, a Catholic boy and a Jewish girl, who form a strong friendship and the resultant bonds of brotherhood. Thus far Hand In Hand has won six awards, including one from the National Conference of Christians and Jews and one from Parents Magazine.

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